



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

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

i-Ready Student Incentives

Students have begun working their i-Ready math and reading lesson paths! This means your child has completed the Fall Diagnostic and individually chosen lessons have been assigned to strengthen or stretch learning for your child. This path is individual for each child and will target all areas of math and reading skills. There have been many new lessons added. Beginning in October, students who complete the recommended 45-minute weekly goal in Math and Reading with a lesson success rate of at least 75% will receive a ticket to be entered into a prize drawing. Students can earn up to two tickets per week (one each for math and reading minutes). Time is allotted in the instructional day to earn the 45 minutes.

Tickets will be collected from teachers and a monthly drawing will be held. Students whose names are selected may then select a prize as a reward for their successful work on their i-Ready lesson path. The first drawing will be held October 30th.

School Safety and Changes to our Kindergarten Loop

When emergency vehicles come on campus, they need to use the kindergarten loop to have close access to the building. Each time, they have been unable to have close access to our building due to having cars parked in this area. Beginning Monday, October 7th, our gates to the K loop will be closed after car drop off until 3:30 each day. This area will be used only for car drop off/pick up and cars can no longer park in this area when parents come to school. This area is not designed to allow cars to pass when a vehicle is parked. The path is very narrow. We have off-site street parking, guest parking on the Gr. 1-8 side and, when picking up your child, you can park briefly on the Gr. 1-8 side, as your car will not block others from passing. We appreciate your support in following this new procedure at school.

Intramural Sports

Middle school intramural sports are beginning! Our soccer and volleyball seasons are starting, and it is not too late to join them. The registration deadline is October 15th for these sports. Students must request a packet to be completed from Mr. Ochacher (Rm 2-220), our intramural sports director. In the packet, students must have a sports physical, pay the \$20 activity fee, and have the packet notarized. We offer notarization in our front office for your convenience. A flyer was sent home previously but we wanted to be sure all families knew about intramural sports.

The seasons for our girls and boys team sports are as follows:

Coed Soccer: October 1st-February 26th

Girls Volleyball: October 1st- December 14th

Girls & Boys Basketball: December 1- March 30th

Coed Track: January 7th – April 28th

Coed Flag Football: February 1st- May 26th

National Bullying Prevention Month

National Bullying Prevention Month is a nationwide campaign that is held during the month of October. This campaign unites communities around the world to educate and raise awareness of bullying prevention. Bullying is a repeated behavior that hurts or humiliates someone either physically or emotionally.

St. Lucie Public Schools takes bullying very seriously and we will join this movement in October and continue to take a stand every day to STOP bullying! We are planning to kick-off our activities here at school on Monday, October 7th, which is World Day of Bullying Prevention. Please help us by recognizing the importance of being an 'upstander,' not a bystander, by wearing a BLUE uniform school shirt. (Blue shirts must be worn with uniform pants, shorts or skirts and the shirt should not be a tank top). We are also asking everyone to wear ORANGE on October 25th to represent unity, to send a message of support, hope, and unity to show that we are together against bullying and united for kindness. Continue to ask your child about the classroom and school-wide activities in which they are participating.

Social-Emotional Learning

Our SEL topic for October is empathy. Empathy is the ability to understand how someone feels because you can imagine what it is like to be them. It is part of a strong positive emotional state in which we can treat others with respect while still setting appropriate limits on how others behave around us. Empathy is the heart of a great community. On Friday, October 25th, we will wear orange to celebrate empathy. This color will also represent unity, showing we stand together against bullying. Learning about empathy will help support our effort to stop bullying! Students will also participate in a "walk in their shoes" activity that will help them to understand they are more alike than they think. This month we would also like to challenge families to promote empathy at home. The link provided below will bring you to weekly activities and conversation starters you can have as a family:

<http://parentingchangemakers.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Ashoka-Calendar.pdf>

September Citizen of the Month

The Citizenship Award will be given to one student in each class in grades K-5 and one per homeroom class in grades 6-8. Elective and resource teachers will also choose a student 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.**

Dates and Times for Citizen of the Month Award Ceremonies: 10/23, 11/20, 1/29, 2/19, 3/25, 4/22, and 5/20.

All assemblies are at **10:30am** in the Auditoria. Parents and family members can report directly to the Auditoria.

KINDERGARTEN: Rylan Turner, Madison Albritton, Noah Villier, Ellie Marino, Jacob Parson, Maddy Montes Escobar, Gianna Moises, Cora Murray

FIRST GRADE: Jaylah Garcia, Ava Kenyon, Elijah Arias, Raelyn Craig, Christian Jamison, Dylan Stott, Jason Jean-Phillipe, Harsh Patel, Marcus El Khoury, Karina Zavala, Tyler Cobb

SECOND GRADE: Madyssen Escalante, Cove Horner, Aryel Villier, Zoey Outlaw, Nadia Amiruddin, Elisha Simon, Taleya Chavez, Dakota Duffy, Christian Kenney

THIRD GRADE: Lucca Dominques, Layla Moises, Russell Renella, Kendall Pesula, Jaxon McCully, Ashlyn Voelker, Kylie Duffy, Julien Mera, Cadence McGeary, Cohen Givens

FOURTH GRADE: Michael Pennachio, Marcelo Barrientos, Deneilia Bennett, Abigale Kelly, Nijah Bois, Shelby Wessel, Holland Lilley, Timothy Johnson, Jack Hinrichsen

FIFTH GRADE: Zoe Walden, Delaney Chaisson, Jackson Armstrong, Gavin Piscopo, Aidan Massman, Logan Gluck, Malachi Henderson, Daniel Dorval, Ny'dez Malone Jackson

SIXTH GRADE: Preston Slacum, Anthony Alvarez, Alia Buchanan, Aiden Gachette, Onyx Diaz, Brianna Louis-Pierre, Arthur Jackson, Jaycie Mera, Jimi Zawackis, Mia Hurtarte

SEVENTH GRADE: Jasmine Dukes, Trinayaraye Baxley, Keegan Kern, Michelle Donohue, Kirsten Bremekamp, Alejandro Sanchez, Ian Myers-Gonzalez, Nicholas Rafter, Evan Harrison, Rachel Castano

EIGHTH GRADE: Josette Valcin, Kenzie Kemerson, Ricardo Ingleton, Jr., Victoria Velasco Contreras, Connor Neziol, Jasmin Duarte-Garcia, Ashley Guerra, Jada White, Jasmine Price, Carlos Rodriguez, Olivia Bernard, Tyler Heckler

PTO News

Thank you to all the Rocket families for participating in the Five Guys Burger & Fries Community Night. We raised \$187. Our Annual Yankee Candle Fall Fundraising event has begun. By ordering online, you will have your items shipped directly to your home. Also, free shipping is offered on orders of \$100 or more. Unfortunately, we will not be able to hold our Yankee Candle Drawing. If you already sent in your form, it will be returned to you. We are sorry for any inconvenience. Remember to clip and send in those Box Tops. Our first contest/submission deadline is 10/24. We appreciate your support.

REGISTRATION for 2020-2021

Registration for the **2020-2021** school year is open from September 1, 2019- February 1, 2020. FAU will begin selecting students in March, beginning with Kindergarten.

Planners

Planners are required for all students in K-8. They are on sale for \$5 in the front office if you still need get one for your child.

Mark Your Calendar

On Early Dismissal days, school ends at **2:10pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **8/28, 10/31, 12/20, 1/22, 2/19, 4/1, 6/1, and 6/2.**



Planners (\$5) and Earbuds (\$4) are on sale in the front office.

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Spirit Shirts are available for \$10.00 in the Front office. Students may wear any PPE T-Shirt on Spirit Day Fridays. PPE Sweatshirts can also now be ordered and cost \$20. Contact the front office for details.

	Clubs: Zero Period Band: M-F 8:15 Chorus: T at 8:10 Rhythmic Rockets: TH 8:10 Environmental: TH 4:15 BETA: W 10/30 at 4:15 Library Book Club#1: Th 8:00-9:10 Gr4&5 Book Club: W 8:00am-9:10	1 E PTO Yankee Candle Fall Fund-raiser 10/1 - 10/15	2 F 9:00 PTO Mtg.	3 A 9:45 Bus Driver Breakfast	4 B PBIS Fun Sale Q1 PBIS School Wide Event 1:30 TCUS Mtg.	5 Sports: Soccer: T/TH 8:00 Volleyball: T/TH 4:30
6	7 C World Day of Bullying Prevention (Wear Blue) 11:00-12:30 Gr. 1 Smoke Simulator - Hazen, Garcia, Troup, and Heissenberg	8 D	9 Holiday For All	10 E Progress Reports 9:00-4:00 Environmental Club Field Trip	11 F End of 1st Quarter 3:40 NJHS Mtg. in LP	12
13	14 Teacher Workday Student Holiday	15 A	16 B Gr. 8 PSAT Testing 8:45 SAC Mtg.	17 C Gr. 1 Mass Health Screening	18 D \$1 No Dress Code to Support United Way 10:00 ESOL Breakfast	19
20 Fall Book Fair 10/21-10/31 "Save Around" Coupon Books 10/21-11/4 K-5 Art to Remember Fundraiser 10/23-11/1	21 E	22 F 8:15-9:30 The "Snow Much to Read" Book Fair- Parent Event	23 A 10:30 Citizen of the Month	24 B 2:00 School Tour for Prospective Parents	25 C SEL - Empathy (Wear Orange) 8:15-9:30 The "Snow Much to Read" Book Fair- Parent Event	26
27	28 D Report Card Day 8:45 SEL Mtg.	29 E Gr. 6 Mass Health Screening	30 F 2:30 Gr. 1 Vocabulary Parade	31 A Early Dismissal 10:30 Gr. K Storybook Character Parade		

