



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:30pm
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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.

Palm Pointe's 21-22 Classroom Companion Series September Session/Title I and Title IX Annual Presentation

We hope that you view the first installment of our monthly parent Classroom Companion Series on Wednesday, September 29th! You can access the video through Palm Pointe's website or YouTube Channel; your child's teacher also sent you a direct link. As you view the video, please be sure to reference the packet that came home in your child's Wednesday folder.

As we are unable to facilitate our annual Title I/Title IX parent meeting, please note that we are also incorporating information regarding these programs and how we implement them.

We are seeking feedback and topic ideas for future Classroom Companion installments. Before October 8th, please complete our online survey. Your child's teacher sent you a direct link for this and the QR code to access it is in your packet and embedded within the September video. Our October session will focus on Instructional Technology, and we would love to address your questions related to that topic.

Home School Communication & Students on Quarantine

It is very important that your parent contact information is up to date, including email addresses and phone numbers, as this is the primary means of communication from school to home. This year, although flyers for the week will be posted virtually on the school website and Facebook on Wednesdays, you will also receive a paper copy in your child's Wednesday folder. All completed work will also be sent home on Wednesdays in that folder. Please sign and return promptly on Thursday. If your child is on quarantine, they will be offered a laptop to complete work at home on Canvas. They will not be marked absent, but instead coded as a Q. Work is expected to be completed if a child is out on quarantine. Our new Quarantine Support Teachers and your child's classroom teacher(s) will be sure to reach out and have work available for your child during this time through Canvas. If your child is out sick, they will be marked absent and the make-up time frame for missing work will apply.

Social Emotional Learning

Our SEL topic for the month of October is Empathy. Empathy is the ability to understand the emotions of another person and 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. It is human to be self-centered; kids must be taught to empathize with others. This can be done by helping your child to see the similarities they may have with individuals, modeling empathy and empathizing with your own kids, and by providing opportunities for kids to practice empathy. On Wednesday, October 20th, we will be celebrating World Unity Day as a school community by wearing an orange shirt. Appropriate uniform bottoms must be worn on this day.

More information can be found in this month's SEL Newsletter:

[October S.E.L.F. Newsletter](#) | [Smore Newsletters for Education](#)

2021-2022 Title I/Title IX, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, and School Improvement Plan

For 2021-2022, Palm Pointe has been classified as a Title I school. As a Title I school, Palm Pointe receives federal funding to help ensure all students have access to a high-quality education program and to improve academic achievement. Each year, Palm Pointe presents information regarding Title I and Title IX (Homeless Education) as part of an annual meeting. In lieu of a traditional meeting, these details have been incorporated into our Classroom Companion Series September session. Please visit our school website (<http://tradition.fau.edu/>) or YouTube channel to view the video presentation, featuring information about both Title I and Title IX at Palm Pointe.

Additionally, in collaboration with the School Advisory Council, Palm Pointe develops and implements an annual Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) and School Improvement Plan (SIP). The 2021-2022 PFEP and SIP will soon be available to view on the school's website and copies of each plan will be sent home with your child later this month. For questions regarding Title I, SIP, or PFEP, please contact Rachel.Koenig@stlucieschools.org. For questions regarding Title IX, please contact Tiffany.Rowley@stlucieschools.org.

September 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 - Donovan Farrell, Ava Clark, Jasmine Dormeville, Allana Cardosa, Beckett Hardy, Juliana Ramirez, Eleanor Minnich, Nevaeh Smith, Fernando Chaidez, Avery Anderson

First grade - Isabella Szary, Victoria Thomas, Mason Murphy, Ulani Stephenson, Savannah Keelor, William Blickenstaff, Avianna Alexander, Zoey Clough, Michael Guzak

Second Grade - Olivia Viens, Gabriel Heitz Ventura, Gianna Moises, Noah Villier, Rylee Carroll, Ellie Marino, Kye Helms, Mea Clement, Brynn Roros, Khloe Wright

Third Grade - Vance Wessel, Jeremiah Joseph, Aliyah Galeana, Emma Rodriguez, Brielle Roros, Giovanni LaPorta, Anthony Fernandes, Bradley Charles, Peter Schoen, Jaiden Singh

Fourth Grade - Zoey Outlaw, Sawyer Timothee, Kevin Osorio, Leila Livingston, Tai'er Dover, Drew Curry, Narhari Mckenzie, Declan Alexander, Sylvia Mesic

Fifth Grade - Ava Gachette, Sebastian Barrios, Ashlyn Voelker, Vanessa Jackson, Gianna Horne-Swick, Jasmine Spence, Parker Lehman

Sixth Grade - Gabriella Narcisse, Rachel Reid, Isabella Sposa, Sophia Rooney, Nijah Bois, Abigail Matos, T'ylor Brown, Holley Millan, Faith Mathew, Logan Tavares, Noah Joseph

Seventh Grade - Nathan Webb, Breanna Weiser, Aiden Gluck, Brooke Massman, Nydez Malone Jackson, Vanessa Tinoco, Victor Velasquez, Matthew De La Cruz, Sadie Keelor, Shelby Lopez Alvarez, Breanna Weiser

Eighth Grade - Chayna Thompson, Ella Harris, Summer Iqbal, Aiden Gachette, Carlos Perez, Dylan Rodriguez, Kayleigh Murnane, Tyler Maypole, Edward Saks, Collin Barnhart, Samuel Singh, Kaden McKenzie

Book Fair

Our media center is so excited to be bringing back our in-person book fair this fall. This year, our students will have an opportunity to visit the fair during their media class from October 25th through November 5th. Look for book fair flyers to be coming home in October with important fair information, including your child's shopping day. This year we strongly encourage families to set up an e-wallet account to try and minimize the handling of cash. E-Wallets are an easy way to load money onto an account for your child and any unused portion of those funds go right back to your card. To set up an e-wallet or view our fair online, go to <https://www.scholastic/bf/palmpointe>. E-wallets can be set up as early as October 1st. Please feel free to contact our Media Specialist, Mrs. Fazzaloro, with any questions you have about the fair.

Daily Home Screening Tool & Health/Safety Procedures

As a reminder, parents must use the Daily Home Screening Tool to assess their child's health every morning. Any student displaying any of the symptoms listed must stay home to protect the safety and well-being of others. While at school, if your child reports to the clinic exhibiting one of the symptoms on the screening tool, parents will be called to pick up their child and he/she must stay home until symptom free for 24 hours. A copy of this daily tool can be found at: [Microsoft Word - daily HOMEscreening tool 8.19.0 FINAL \(stlucie.k12.fl.us\)](#) All staff and visitors on campus must wear a mask and complete the self-health screener upon entering. All students must wear a mask unless the family has completed the opt out form. We strongly encourage students to wear masks for the health and safety of all. Please know that if there is a positive case on campus and your student needs to be quarantined for possible exposure, you will be notified by the school. Contact tracing is done following the CDC and DOH guidelines. **If someone in your family tests positive for COVID-19 or is awaiting test results, we ask that you contact Mr. Keelor or Mrs. DeGarmo at (772) 345-3245.**

School Store Fundraiser

This year we are partnering with Schoolstore.com to raise funds for essential tools our students and teachers need to be successful. It is 100% online and all you have to do is go to the website (schoolstore.net) and put in the school ID code-363205. You can send this to family & friends and all they have to do is shop to earn money for your child's teacher to use in class!

Mark Your Calendar

On early dismissal days, school ends at **2:10 pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **10/27, 12/17, 2/2, 3/11, 4/20, 5/31, 6/1**

School Lunch Program

If you have not already done so, please support our School Lunch Program by applying today. You must reapply each year in order to qualify for the program. We are asking all families to apply, even if your child always brings a lunch box. You can apply online at www.stlucieschools.org. Just click on the School Benefit Application tab to begin the process. Funding is tied to this program, which benefits all students at PPE! You must apply early in order for your application to be processed before the end of the month. Please call our school (345-3245) if you need assistance. We are looking for 100% participation to support our school. Thank you!

REGISTRATION for 2022-2023

Registration for the **2022-2023** school year is open from September 1, 2021 - 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.

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.

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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Pay online all in one click with credit card or check. For more details, visit: <https://www.schoolpay.com/parent/mip/MdLJ>
Planners are required for all students.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Sports Practice Soccer- T & Th 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Volleyball- T, W, Th 4:30 PM-5:15 PM			1 District PD Day- No School for Students	2
3	4 B	5 C	6 D Progress Reports	7 E	8 F End of 1st Nine Weeks 3:40 NJHS Mtg.-Audeteria PBIS Quarter 1 Schoolwide Events Dress like your Favorite Character to support Sunshine (Must have & wear pre-purchased lanyard to participate)	9
10	11 Teacher Workday- No School for Students	12 G	13 A PSAT-Grade 8	14 B	15 C	16
17	18 D 10:00 Fire Drill	19 E	20 F Unity Day- Wear Orange Shirt Schoolwide SEL Activity Day	21 G 8:45 SAC Mtg.	22 A Fall Book Fair 10/22-11/4	23
24	25 B Report Card Day 10:00 Code Red Drill	26 C	27 D Progress Reports Early Dismissal Day Citizen of the Month Students Recognized Classroom Companion Series	28 E	29 F	30
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