

AT A GLANCE

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# Facts

2013-2014

PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS



## DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS 2012-13

- Pinellas County Schools was named to the AP Honor Roll for continuing to simultaneously increase enrollment in Advanced Placement courses and performance on Advanced Placement exams while maintaining the diversity level of students taking Advanced Placement courses.
- Largo High School's International Baccalaureate program became fully authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization.
- Increased the percentage of fourth-graders scoring 3.5 or above and 4.0 or above on FCAT Writing by 13 percentage points and 12 percentage points, respectively.
- Developed and implemented the PCS Talent Identification Program making it possible for 285 seventh-graders to take the SAT exam and participate in a summer college camp.
- Initiated the implementation of AVID Elementary at five south Pinellas elementary schools.
- Greatly expanded the district's elementary science labs.
- Increased science fair participation from 75 percent to 90 percent.
- Implemented SAT 10 testing in first and second grades.
- Recognized nationally as a model district by the Ford Foundation for the Ford Next Generation Learning Academies of Pinellas five-year plan.
- Reopened auto technician, cosmetology and horticulture/environmental programs at pTEC St. Petersburg and implemented new networking and information technology apprenticeship programs at pTEC Clearwater.
- Hosted the first Lego League Robotics Competition for the district's middle school students at Oak Grove Middle School.
- Piloted a Let's Go Boys and Girls STEM lab class at six elementary schools and four middle schools, with plans for expanding them this year.
- Piloted a Presidential Youth Fitness pilot at three middle schools.
- Created a proposal to make gifted services available at every elementary school for the 2013-14 school year, allowing for the implementation of a focus on talent development for non-gifted academically talented students and the elimination of lost learning time resulting from busing students to off-site gifted centers.
- Extended the opportunity for middle school students to earn Microsoft industry certifications.
- Developed a High School Readiness Report for middle schools to use to track student academic progress, attendance, retention rates, and standardized testing scores.
- Established a graduation task force to focus on increasing high school graduate rates.
- Installed the largest GED computer-based testing lab in the nation at pTEC St. Petersburg.
- Expanded a district-wide reading initiative with Ticket to Read to encourage elementary students to read during the summer.
- Expanded summer learning from five to 27 elementary schools, including all grade levels, in the district's inaugural Summer Bridge program.
- Began a series of Superintendent's Parent Leadership Cadre meetings to give families a chance to directly communicate with the district.

## CALENDAR 2013-2014

- Aug. 19** K-12 schools open, classes begin.
- Sept. 2** Labor Day holiday – schools and offices closed.
- Sept. 13** School-based Professional Development Day - schools closed for students.
- Oct. 25** School-based Professional Development Day – schools closed for students
- Nov. 25-26** Schools closed for students. 11 and 12-month personnel on duty. District Training Days for 10-month instructional personnel.
- Nov. 27-29** Thanksgiving holidays – schools and offices closed.
- Dec. 23-Jan 3** Winter holidays – schools and offices closed.
- Jan. 6** Schools and offices reopen.
- Jan. 17** Teacher Work Day/Support Services Catalog of Choice

- Day- schools closed for students.
- Jan. 20** Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday- schools closed for staff and students. 12 month personnel on duty.
- Jan. 21** Second semester begins.
- Feb. 17** Professional Development Day – schools closed for students
- March 24-March 28** Spring holidays. Schools closed for students.
- March 25-March 28** Spring holidays for 12-month personnel.
- March 31** Schools and offices reopen.
- April 18** School-based Professional Development Day, – schools closed for students
- May 26** Memorial Day holiday. Schools and offices closed.
- June 4** Last day for students. (with the exception of Adult Education students at the PTEC Centers).

## IMPORTANT PHONE #S

Adult Education	588-6321
Career Technical & Adult Education (CTAE)	588-6006
Strategic Communications	588-6122
Teaching and Learning	588-6121
Transportation Call Center	587-2020
Dropout Prevention	588-6069
English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	588-6068
Exceptional Student Education (ESE)	588-6032
GED Information/Testing	588-6301
Home Education Information Hotline	588-5199
Human Resources	588-6275 ext. 1936
Partnership Schools	588-6209
Risk Management	588-6195
School District Administration Building	588-6000
School Board Members Office	588-6300
Strategic Partnerships	588-6405
Student Assignment	588-6210



## DISTRICT FACTS

**Size**  
Seventh of 67 districts in Florida and 26th out of more than 16,000 districts in the United States.

**Student Demographics**  
58.2% White 4.5% Asian  
18.7% Black 3.9% Multiracial  
14.4% Hispanic 0.3% Native Amer.

**Class-Size Target:**  
K-3.....1:18  
Intermediate (4 & 5)... 1:22  
Middle School..... 1:22  
High School..... 1:25

**Accreditation:** All Pinellas County high schools, as well as John Hopkins Middle School, Clearwater and Dixie Hollins Adult Education Centers and Tomlinson Adult Learning Center, are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). PCS currently is pursuing district wide accreditation through AdvancED, an organization that encompasses SACS. The district's Pinellas Technical Education Centers are accredited by the Council on Occupational Education and SACS.

**Transportation:** The district currently operates 513 home-to-school routes daily, transporting approximately 32,000 students twice per day, more than 10 million miles. This does not include countless shuttles, activity runs, athletic trips and field trips operated to support school programs. The department operates six bus compounds throughout the county.

### Pinellas County Schools Employees 2013-14 School Year

Personnel (substitutes included)	Full-time	Part-time
Administrative*	392	2
Instructional	7,720	1,794
Supporting Services	5,023	1,335

\*At both school and district level.

## FINANCIAL 2013-2014

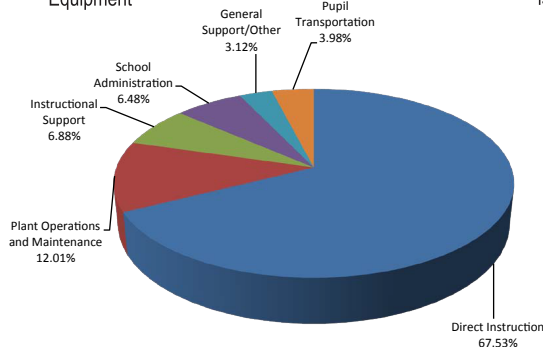
Total budget, all sources, is \$1,328,561,928

### Operating

Total: 853,694,126  
Salaries and Benefits  
Textbooks  
Materials and Supplies  
Student Transportation  
Custodial  
Maintenance  
Training  
General Administration  
Equipment

### Capital Outlay

Total: \$298,205,915  
Renovations/Remodeling  
New Construction at Existing Facilities  
Purchase of Real Property, Furniture and Equipment  
Handicapped Accessibility  
Fire, Health and Safety  
Environmental Compliance



Capital outlay funds cannot be used for operating expenses unless specifically allowed by the Florida Legislature.

In 2013-14, Pinellas County Schools will receive approximately 36.5 percent of its total operating budget from the state, and 49.9 percent from local sources, and 13.6 percent from the federal government. Salaries and fringe benefits represent 83.53 percent of the total operating budget.

Average planned expenditure per student: \$7,738 from the operating fund.

The base student allocation from the FEFP formula is \$3,752.30 for 2013-14.

## WHERE WE SPEND THE MONEY...

Direct Instruction	\$ 533,655,790
Plant Operations and Maintenance	\$ 94,897,048
Instructional Support	\$ 54,350,756
School Administration	\$ 51,224,302
General Support/Other	\$ 24,695,490
Pupil Transportation	\$ 31,470,740



## MISSION STATEMENT

Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life.

## VISION

100% Student Success

## SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT
Pre-K	1,941
72 Elementary	41,556
2 Elementary/Middle	1,964
22 Middle	20,195
17 High	30,014
4 Exceptional	654
22 Charter	5,879
Other	781
Virtual	294
Total K-12	101,337

**School Board Meetings:** The school board generally meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. and the fourth Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Hall of the Administration Building, 301 Fourth St. SW, Largo. The public is invited to speak 30 minutes prior to the start of each regular meeting. The meetings are televised on a tape delay for two weeks following the meeting on WPDS-TV14 Wednesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and Saturdays at 8 a.m. WPDS-TV14 appears on Bright House Ch. 614, Knology Ch. 2 and Verizon Ch. 46. For more information, contact the board office, 588-6300.

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## DISTRICT APPLICATION PROGRAMS

### High School Programs

- Business-Economics-Technology Academy (BETA)
- Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE)
- Center for Advanced Technologies (CAT)
- Center for Wellness & Medical Professions
- Criminal Justice Academy
- Exploring Careers & Education in Leadership (ExCEL)
- First Responders: National Guard Center for Emergency Management
- Institute for Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics (ISTEM)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Leadership Conservatory for the Arts
- Pinellas County Center for the Arts (PCCA)
- Academy of Architectural Design and Building Technologies
- Academy of Engineering
- Academy of Finance
- Academy of Information Technology
- Academy for Aquatic Management Systems & Environmental Technology
- Automotive Academy
- Career Academy for International Culture and Commerce
- Center for Computer Technology
- Center for Construction Technologies
- Center for Culinary Arts
- Center for Design in Business
- Center for Education and Leadership
- Graphic Arts Academy
- Jacobson Culinary Arts Academy
- Veterinary Science Academy

### Fundamentals

- Boca Ciega (School within a school)
- Dunedin (School within a school)
- Osceola Fundamental High

### Middle School Programs

- Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology
- Center for the Arts and Communication Studies
- Middle School Centers for Gifted Studies
- International Studies (pursuing IB Middle Years Programme authorization)
- Cambridge Pre-Advanced Certificate of International Education (Pre-AICE)
- Leadership Conservatory for the Arts
- Middle Grades Engineering Gateway to Technology

### Fundamentals

- Clearwater
- Madeira Beach Fundamental (K-8)
- Thurgood Marshall

### Elementary Programs

- Center for Advancement of Sciences & Technology
- Center for Arts and International Studies

- Center for Gifted Studies
- Center for Journalism and Multimedia Studies
- Center for Mathematics and Engineering
- International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme IB
- World School
- Montessori Academy

### Fundamentals

- Bay Vista
- Curtis
- Lakeview
- Madeira Beach (K-8)
- Pasadena
- Tarpon Springs

### Other Elementary and Middle School

#### Courses/Programs

- Gifted Programs
- Mathematics Education for Gifted Secondary School Students (MEGSSS)
- Integrated Mathematics and Science with Technology (IMAST)

## VIRTUAL EDUCATION

Pinellas County Schools has its own virtual school called Pinellas Virtual School (PVS) and students may take virtual classes part-time or full time. For middle and high school students, PVS uses digital resources and lesson plans used in many of the district's brick and mortar classrooms. All teachers are district employees. Registration for virtual school begins 90 days prior to the first day of school.

## CAREER TECHNICAL & ADULT EDUCATION (CTAE)

### During the 2012-13 school year:

- 82 percent of students completing one of the technical education programs were placed in jobs, chose to continue their education or joined the military.
- Over 836 high school students were served in the community schools and adult education centers.
- 5,882 students attended the two Pinellas Technical Education Centers.
- 14,499 adult general education students and 3,544 postsecondary vocational students attended the community schools and adult education centers
- 3,292 people took the GED test, and 1,661 received diplomas.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

PCS welcomes volunteers, mentors, tutors, speakers, PTA/PTSA and School Advisory Council members. Business and community partnerships are also welcomed. For more information, contact the Office of Strategic Partnership at 727-588- 5050.