Belleair Newsletter

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2021



ABOUT US....

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PRINCIPALS LETTER

Hello Belleair Families,

It's hard to believe we are entering October already! Thanks to a wonderful staff, dedicated families, and hard-working students, we are off to a great start. It takes all of us working together to ensure 100% student success for all. The last few weeks we have completed baseline testing to see where each and every student is in reading, writing, math, and science. Our goal is that all students make one year or more of learning gains in all subject areas. Your child's teacher should be contacting you soon to schedule a parent/teacher conference. Please make every effort to attend these important meetings to learn where your child is in their academic progress and what our plans are to help him/her achieve success.

Here are a few important safety reminders. Students may not be on Belleair's campus until 8:15 a.m. There is no supervision before this time. School lets out at 2:55 and all students should be picked up at this time. Our office closes at 3:15 and there is no adult supervision after this time. Thank you for helping us with these safety concerns.

Finally, I encourage you to foster a love of reading at home. Just like swimming and riding a bicycle, we get better by practicing. Reading works the same way. Students should be reading nightly with you. You can read to them, they can read to you, or you can take turns. Having a stuffed animal to read to is another fun way to enjoy books! If you are in need of books your child can read on their own, please contact his/her teacher to check out just right books.

We thank you for sharing your child with us each day!

Educationally yours,

Kelly Austin

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, October 4th - SAC Meeting 7:45-8:15 am

Thursday, October 7th - Picture Day

Friday, October 8th - No School

Thursday, October 28th - Trunk or Treat in Belleair Parking Lot 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Monday, November 1st - SAC Meeting 7:45- 8:15 am

Thursday, November 18th - Picture retake day

Monday, November 22nd to Friday, November 26th - Thanksgiving Break - No School



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Belleair Elementary would like to thank the following for generously donating school supplies to our teachers and students.

Flagship Bank /Susan Brockman

The Backpack Lady Project

Coldwell Banker / Martha Thorn

American Legion Auxiliary Post 305

Goodloe Chapter #42 OES PHA /Worthy Matron Wanda Green Paula Gutierrez

We greatly appreciate all that you do to support our school.

Thank you!



PROMISE TIME NEWS

It's that time of year! Promise Time has started. Promise time is our afterschool tutoring program. It helps our students to catch up and keep up educationally. We will have Promise Time on Tuesday and Thursday until 4:30pm. If your student was given a qualification letter, please sign and return it as soon as possible. We want all students that qualified to receive the additional support. Thank you!

PICTURE DAY

Picture day will be Thursday, October 7th. As always, please make sure your student is on time and in uniform. Picture retake day will be Thursday, November 18th.



TITLE I NEWS

Parent's Right to Know

As a parent of a student attending a Pinellas County Public School, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct your child. Federal law allows you to ask for certain information about your child's classroom teachers and requires us to give you this information in a timely manner if you ask for it. Specifically, you have the right to ask for the following information about each of your child's teachers:

- · Review the Principal's Attestation (in the Principal's Office and the LEA office)
- · Whether the Florida Department of Education has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- · Whether the Florida Department of Education has decided that the teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations because of circumstances.
- · The teacher's college of major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, if so, the subjects and degrees.
- · Whether any teachers' aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.

In addition, you have the right to be provided information on your student's level of achievement on assessments for FSA in reading/language arts, mathematics and science. This information will be available at your child's school.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please contact your child's school at (727) 469-5983. You may call the school between __9_am _3_pm, Monday through Friday and ask to speak to Kelly Austin, the principal, regarding this request. An appointment will be made for you to come to the school to view this information.

As partners in your child's education, your input is valued. Please participate in the Title I Annual Survey which will be distributed in October.

Title I School &
Family Partnership Overview
Belleair Elementary
1156 Lakeview Road
(727) 468-5983
September 2021

Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

The 2021-2022 District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan states:

Parents of students in Pinellas County Title I schools will be involved in the joint development, annual review and revision of district wide and school wide parent and family engagement plans and policies. The Title I plans and policies outline programs, services and funding that will be provided to students and parents at Title I schools. Parent representatives serving on the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and individual school parent groups will participate in the review and revision of the plans. The review will be used to determine the effectiveness of the plans in improving student achievement and to identify barriers that hinder parental participation.

Revisions will be based on feedback from parental input and results from the Title I Annual Parent Survey. Each school will hold a Title I Annual Meeting to explain what it means to be a Title I school and the Title I requirements, including parents' right to be involved. Each school

will jointly develop with parents a parent/school compact for learning which will be discussed at parent/teacher conferences. The District Title I Office and Title I schools will coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement strategies and activities with other agencies such as VPK. Parents of Title I students will be provided with training and materials to help them support the learning of their children at home.

A complete copy of the 2021-2022 District Parent and Family Engagement Plan is available in our front office and at www.pcsb.org/titleone, translation is available upon request.

School & Parent Compact Information

Parents, if you have not already done so, please make sure you and your child/children have read, discussed, signed and returned the **School-Parent Compact**. The compact will serve as an agreement between school staff, students and parents to support the student's learning throughout the year. It will be reviewed and discussed in regard to your child's education during parent/teacher conferences (Elementary). Please inform your child's teacher if you did not receive a compact. (727) 469-5983

Where to Access 2021-2022 School and District Title I Plans and PFEP Families and community members are invited to read individual Title I Schoolwide and School Improvement Plans, School Parent and Family Engagement, and the District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan. These plans and policies are available in each school's front office. A translator can be provided upon request. The district and school parent and family engagement plans are also available on the Pinellas County Schools district website (www.pcsb.org). The 2021-22 Title I Part A Plan will be revised in the months of March and April 2022. This plan outlines the funding of programs and services Title I will provide to the children and families in the schools. Individuals wishing to offer input to any of the plans or policies may contact the School Administrator at specific Title I schools or attend Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings.

UNIFORM DONATIONS WELCOME!

UNIFORM REMINDER

Belleair Elementary is a uniform school. The approved uniform colors are:

Colored Polo Shirts in yellow, blue or white.

Shorts, pants, or skorts in Navy or khaki.

Jeans are allowed on Friday only with Belleairr school spirit shirts. Jeans must have no tears or holes. No jeggings or leggings unless under skirts. Shorts must be mid thigh or longer.



WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL.

Please follow one of the three options before your child is able to return school:

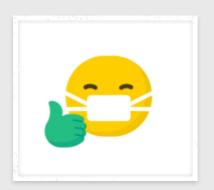
- 1. They receive a negative COVID test result provided by their healthcare provider <u>OR</u> a Department of Health approved COVID testing site <u>AND</u> your student no longer has symptoms <u>OR</u>
- 2. Your child receives written permission to return to school from an MD, DO/DOM, or ARNP

OR

3. Your child can return in 11 days if symptoms are improving.

IN ADDITION:

Your student MUST be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.



MASKS

Masks are highly encouraged for all students, staff and visitors in Pinellas County Schools.



MEDIA CENTER NEWS

Media Center News has gone virtual! Get the latest updates on upcoming events like The Scholastic Book Fair, Battle of the Books information, online reading information and more! Check out our new Belleair Media Center News site at: https://spark.adobe.com/page/fzRpccYfMuQRC/

PTA IS BACK AT BELLEAIR!

PTA is back at Belleair and we need you!

PTA implements and supports programs and activities for our students including:

Open House* Walk to School * School Festivals * FSA Snacks * Black History and Multicultural Celebrations * School Supplies *

School walkway paint lines/paws * School Sprit Wear* Staff Appreciation * End of Year Events * and much more!

Membership is \$7.00 per person \$_____ Enclosed
Thank you for your support!

Name:



Student's Name:
Teacher:
Phone:
Email:
Membership forms are also available in the front office.

REPORT A SAFETY CONCERN

Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. Say Something allows you to submit secure & anonymous safety concerns to help identify and intervene upon at-risk individuals BEFORE they hurt themselves or others. Tips made to the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System are passed along to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

Visit the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System

Additionally, the district utilizes FortifyFL, a school-related suspicious activity reporting tool that allows Florida students and the community the ability to instantly relay information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

Visit the FortifyFL website



HOMEWORK HOTLINE

Pinellas County Schools Homework Helpline, (727)547-7223, offers free homework help for students in grades 1-12. The Homework Helpline is staffed by teachers certified in math, science, language arts and social studies. Help is available from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, on all school days, except when there is no school the following day.

