Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to Sexton Elementary School! We are looking forward to a great year. It

is our sincere desire to provide the best education and learning environment that is

possible for your child. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns

about your child's education.

On behalf of the faculty and staff, I would like to extend an invitation for you to

become involved in our school. There will be many opportunities for you to volunteer at

school or at home, participate in our Family Nights or become an active participant in our

PTA and School Advisory Council. Your child benefits greatly when you are an active

partner in his/her education.

This student / parent handbook and daily planner is published so that you may have

a ready reference to information about the daily operation of our school. It also includes

important district policies and our school calendar. Please read this handbook carefully

and refer to it regularly. We hope this planner will improve communication between home

and school. You will receive additional information about how you can assist us in using

this planner with your child at home.

Tony Pleshe

Principal

Our Mission

Our mission is to engage and inspire our students for success!

Sexton Website: http://www.pcsb.org/sexton-es

R2.D2 number for computer program log in:

Username_____

Password_____

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The School Board of Pinellas County

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ABSENCES

Each child is expected to be in attendance regularly and on time. In case of an absence from school, please call the school by 9:00 a.m. on the day of the absence or send a written excuse on the day your child returns. In the case of continued absences without known cause, the case will be investigated by our social worker.

ACCIDENTS

In case of an accident, first aid is given by authorized, trained school personnel. In all cases every effort is made to contact the parent. If we cannot reach a parent, we will use the emergency contact information you have provided. The school will summon Emergency Medical Services in serious accident or illness situations if we are unable to contact anyone, and we will notify you as soon as possible. Updated emergency phone numbers are very important to have at school for these types of emergencies.

ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

Doors open & food served from 8:15 a.m. No students should arrive before 8:15 a.m. The building is not open and adult supervision is not available. Upon arrival your child will proceed immediately to the cafeteria if eating breakfast. All others will wait for the 8:40 bell to ring.

BICYCLES

Bikes MUST be walked once they are on school property. Bike racks are provided to secure the bikes during the day. We recommend that parents register their child's bike with the police department, keep a record of serial numbers and provide a lock. The school is not responsible for loss or damage to bikes. We also ask that you remind your child to wear a helmet for their safety and to comply with state law.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH PROGRAM

The cafeteria provides a nourishing, well balanced meal each day for the students and staff. Menus are published and provided to parents in our monthly newsletter.

Breakfast is served each morning beginning at 8:15 AM. **School Lunch is served at NO CHARGE to students.** Extra milk is 50 cents per carton. Milk is not provided for free with a packed lunch. Extra entrées are \$2.50. Snacks are available for a cost of \$.25 to \$1.00. We encourage you to send in checks to pay for your child's

lunches or use the online system linked through our website for prepayment. Applications for free lunches are available in the office. If your child is presently receiving free or reduced lunch, or if your financial status changes during the year, you are required to submit a new application.

Parents are welcome to eat lunch with their children. Please be sure to check in with the school office before going to the cafeteria.

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

We are very proud of our school and equipment. Please encourage your child to take care of school property. The cooperation of parents and school staff members is needed to help students learn to respect materials, furnishings, equipment, and grounds.

CELL PHONES

According to school board policy, elementary students may have cell phones at school if they are powered off and kept in their backpack while school is in session.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

It is necessary that the school office have the current address and phone number of students at all times. This information is especially important in case of illness and emergencies. The school should be notified immediately when a student has changed an address, phone number, or emergency number.

COMMUNICATION

Student planners will be sent home every day. Parents will need to read the contents, sign below the current day's date, and return the student planner to school with your child the following day. Our school newsletter will be sent home the first of each month.

CONFERENCES

The teachers and school administration support close communication between parents, students, and teachers. If you have a question or concern please do not wait until a teacher calls you. Teachers are available for conferences either in person or by phone. Conferences may be scheduled by calling the school office or sending a note to your child's teacher. Parents **may not** confer with teachers during teaching hours. Before going to your conferences, please sign in at the office and receive a visitor's pass. If you must cancel a scheduled conference, please call the

office at least 24 hours in advance so another parent conference can be scheduled. Parents will be asked to attend at least one individual conference during the year for the purpose of signing the Parent / Student / Teacher Compact and discussing your child's progress. Notes can also be sent to your child's teacher via e-mail. Log onto www.pcsb.org, mouse over schools, down to school links, click Sexton Elementary School's Web Page, click teachers, and select your child's teacher.

DISCIPLINE

Our goal is to provide the best educational environment for your child; therefore, we expect good behavior. This can be achieved by mutual cooperation of parents, students, and all school personnel. We believe all children can behave appropriately at school. We will not tolerate interruptions of teaching or learning. An unruly child is not only missing out on his own education, but is also depriving others of getting theirs. We expect children to obey and show proper respect to all teachers, classmates, and to school property. Each teacher working with the students will develop a set of classroom expectations. At the beginning of the year a letter is sent home to each child's parents explaining the expectations, recognitions, and consequences each class has developed. Your support in reviewing these with your child is essential.

Each parent will also receive a copy of the "Code of Student Conduct" which has been adopted by the Pinellas County School Board. Discipline at school will be administered according to this code.

DO NOT BRING TO SCHOOL

Children are not allowed to bring live animals, gum, candy, or play things to school except by special permission from the teacher or principal. School is your child's first job, and school hours should be spent with school activities. Teachers are asked to take such items from students and hold them for the parent to pick up.

DRESS CODE (STUDENT)

John M. Sexton Elementary school has a <u>mandatory student</u> <u>uniform policy for grades K – 5.</u> All students are required to wear the school uniform which consists of:

Student Name Badge: worn on the collar at all times.

<u>Navy blue bottoms</u>: plain, solid, non-decorated slacks, pants, jumpers, uniform dresses, shorts, skirts or skorts (no more than 4 inches above the knee and must be worn around the waist).

No blue jeans, sweatpants, nylon pants, parachute pants, leggings, stirrup pants, stretch pants or *any* form fitting bottom may be worn. No clothing items that can be seen may be worn under the school uniform. (Ex. No sweat pants with uniform shorts over them. No colored long sleeved shirts under the uniform shirt.) All trousers, pants, skirts, or shorts must cover undergarments, including boxer shorts.

Shirts: must be plain solid, non-decorated white, powder blue, navy blue, dark purple or dark teal collared shirts with sleeves, polos, button down blouses, and turtle necks. All shirts, tops, and dresses must cover undergarments with NO midriff showing. Sexton Stingray shirts are considered part of the uniform and can be worn any day. No regular T-shirts of any color, no colored trim on collars or sleeves, no autographed shirts. No shirts, sweaters or vests can be worn over the school uniforms that are not included in the uniform policy. No shirts or sweaters can be worn under the school uniform (unless it is a plain white non-decorated undershirt). Students participating in scouting may wear their official scout uniform in place of the school uniform on meeting days only. There will be a new positive behavior reward on Friday's. Points will be awarded from Class Dojo and students will be able to wear an non-uniform shirt.

<u>Outer Wear:</u> Students may wear plain, solid, non-decorated white, powder blue, navy blue, dark purple or dark teal sweatshirts, sweaters or hoodies. Sexton Stingray sweatshirts may also be worn. All other outer jackets and removable sweaters are acceptable, but cannot be worn inside the classroom.

<u>Shoes:</u> must enclose the whole foot (sneakers or tennis shoes with good support are preferable for safety during P.E.) No sport or recreational shoes with cleats or wheels are permitted.

No bandanas of any kind are allowed.

Hats may be worn during outdoor activities. <u>Administration</u> reserves the authority to reject any color variation on clothing. All uniforms can be purchased at any retail or thrift store.

Procedures for students not in compliance with uniform policy:

<u>1st offense:</u> Student will be referred to the office for a uniform infraction. A phone call and/or a white letter of notification is sent home to the parent.

 2^{nd} offense: Student will be referred to the office for a uniform infraction. A phone call is made to remind parents of the uniform requirements. A blue letter of notification is sent home.

<u>3rd offense:</u> Student will be referred to the office for a uniform infraction, parent contact will be made by an administrator to determine if assistance is needed so the student can be in compliance with the uniform policy. A pink letter of notification is sent home.

<u>4th offense:</u> Mandatory parent conference with school administration to resolve the compliance problem. <u>If uniform loans are available, your child may be changed into a uniform. If you do not give permission for this to happen you must notify the office in writing.</u>

Should your family need assistance in obtaining school uniforms please ask for a referral to Clothes for Kids available from our guidance counselor.

Special days when No uniform is required:

Students must wear district guideline appropriate clothing, shoes, and Name Badge on these days. Refer to the Student Code of Conduct, page 38.

September (Fall) Individual picture day

Halloween (teachers may or may not allow costumes)

Day before Thanksgiving vacation

Day before winter holiday

Valentine's Day

St. Patrick's Day

Day before spring break

Enterprise village (5th grade)

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Last day of school

EARLY DISMISSAL

On occasion, it may be necessary for you to pick your child up from school before 2:55 PM for an appointment or an emergency. On such an occasion please come to the school office. Office personnel will contact the teacher with instructions to send your child to the office. In order for a student to be picked up early by someone other than a parent, their name must be listed on the student's office card or they must have a note with the parent's signature stating they may pick up the student.

***Students routinely picked up early will be referred to the school social worker.

EDUCATIONAL RECORDS THE FAMILY RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

The Family Rights and Privacy Act is a federal law to protect the accuracy and privacy of your child's educational records. You may arrange an appointment to review your child's records with the principal.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

In accordance with state laws, fire drills are held each month. Each teacher is responsible for instructing students of the exit routes for these drills. Fire drills, severe weather drills, and choice drills are held periodically throughout the year. These unannounced rehearsals are necessary for helping children react quickly and responsibly in instances of emergency.

FIELD TRIPS

All field trips are an extension of what is being studied in the classroom. Trips are approved by the school principal and the school district. A county approved permission slip must be signed by a parent before a student can go on a field trip.

Telephone permission is not acceptable and a child without this signed slip will not be able to attend. Children not registered at school may not accompany volunteers on school field trips. Volunteers must be registered 3 weeks in advance of trips.

HEAD LICE

Since head lice are contagious, the School Board has adopted a policy to reduce the spread of lice in schools. When students are found to have lice, parents are notified and the students involved are sent home. Students are not allowed to return until they have been treated and are no longer contagious. If a student with live lice does return to school he / she will again be sent home. A child should be able to return to school within 3 days if immediate attention is given to the problem.

NOTE: Please check your children weekly for evidence of nits or lice. Contact the nurse if you would like help in the identification of the problem.

HEALTH

We are fortunate to have a full time Nurse. She is responsible for assessing the medical needs of each child referred to the clinic. The clinic is maintained in the office area for **temporary** placement of children who become ill at school. If the child is too ill to return to class after a reasonable time, we will contact parents to come for him/her. It is very important that we have a phone number and an emergency number for this purpose.

All students entering school for the first time and all students new to Pinellas County must have a physical examination, an immunization record, social security number and a birth certificate. Children should not be sent to school with any communicable diseases, fever, or illness. Please keep them at home.

All parents must give the school an emergency number to call in case of a serious accident or illness. This is a must for your child's protection.

HOMEWORK POLICY

When teachers assign homework and students complete the assigned work, higher student achievement gains are made. Homework also helps children assume responsibility, teaches self-discipline, and helps to form good study habits. Therefore, teachers will assign homework on a regular basis. Each grade level will send notice of the individual schedule and procedures during the first few weeks of school. Parents should encourage their children to complete the assignments and return them to school on time.

Parents should also read to their child daily or have their child read to them. There are a number of online opportunities to extend the school learning as well, please see our website for links.

HOMEWORK HELP LINE

The Homework Help line will begin operating in early September. CHILDREN are encouraged to call for assistance with their homework between the hours of 5:00 PM and 8:00 PM, Monday through Thursday for grades 1-5. The phone number is 547-7223.

HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll is established each grading period for students in grades 3-5.

Principal's List: All A's, E's, V's or S in effort and work habits,

A's, E's, V's or S in Art, Music, and PE.

Honor Roll: Same criteria as Principal's

List except B's are allowed.

INSURANCE

If you are interested in securing low cost student accident insurance, forms are available in the school office.

LOST AND FOUND

A lost and found box is maintained in the office and. To help minimize lost articles, students' names should be placed on items of clothing that are brought to school. At the end of the school year unclaimed articles are donated. Children should be reminded to check the lost and found box for missing items. Parents are also welcome to check the lost and found area.

MEDICATION

The School Board has adopted a policy to provide as much safety as possible when underlying health problems make it absolutely necessary for students to receive medication at school.

If students must receive prescription medication at school, in order for School Board employees to give it, parents must:

- 1. Parent must bring the medication to the school office in the <u>prescription bottle.</u>
- 2. Have the appropriate authorization

form signed by the parent giving details as to the time and amount to be given to the child.

For students to receive NON-PRESCRIPTION medications, parents must:

- 1. Bring medication in the <u>original</u>, labeled container. It must be readable.
- 2. An authorization card must be signed by the <u>PHYSICIAN or DENTIST and PARENT.</u>
- 3. Medication will only be administered when the above rules are followed.

Authorization forms are available in the school office.

It is your child's responsibility to remember to come to the office to take his or her medication. *

MEDIA CENTER

The Media Center is an important part of our school. As students check out books, they are responsible for returning them on time and in good condition. All overdue books must be returned. We do not charge a fee for overdue books; <u>but lost books must be paid for by the child.</u>

MONEY SENT TO SCHOOL

Students are discouraged from bringing money or other valuables to school. Neither the teacher nor the school can be held responsible when money or personal items are lost. If a child must bring money to school, be sure it is in a sealed envelope with the child's name, the teacher's name, and its intended purpose.

NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are the primary way in which we communicate school wide news and important dates to you. Please take a few minutes to read the contents of these newsletters. Newsletters will be made available in hard copy or electronically on the website.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

All parents receive a copy of Pinellas County's Parent Involvement Policy in the first day packet that is sent home. A copy of Sexton's Parent Involvement policy is distributed at Open House and is also available in Sexton's Title 1 office. For more information, contact our school's Achievement Consultant.

PARTIES

Sexton Elementary has been recognized as a Gold Award winner for providing a healthy environment for teaching by the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. Therefore, only two parties are allowed each school year. Please see "Wellness Guidelines" (page 12) for Pinellas County's policy on the types of foods allowed at school.

PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS

The placement of students at the beginning of the school year is done by the principal with teacher input. Each placement is considered tentative. Changes in enrollment may necessitate reassigning students to different classes. Every effort is made to limit the changes which are made.

PORTAL

The PCS Portal (https://portal.pcsb.org) is a secure website that provides a way for you to obtain specific information about your child privately. Parents can view their child's: attendance, schedule, assignments, grades, discipline issues, demographic information, medical information, school messages, school calendar, teacher email links, and alerts concerning your child.

How do you know if you have a Parent Portal (ParentCONNECT) account already?

You have a previous ParentCONNECT account, if you have done one of the following:

Ever used ParentCONNECT to view your child's grades or attendance?

Ever used SRS (Student Reservation System) to change any of your child's information, reserved a seat in a school, or applied for a PCS magnet or fundamental school?

If you have forgotten your ParentCONNECT username and/or password, visit any school for assistance. A PARENT PORTAL

CANNOT BE OBTAINED OVER THE PHONE.

How does a parent obtain an account if they have never previously had a ParentCONNECT account?

Visit any school to apply and bring a valid ID (one of the following): Driver's License; State ID card; this information cannot be given over the phone. Visa (not the credit card); Military ID; Passport; or Green Card

<u>Login:</u> If a <u>new user</u>, a login will be provided by the school. If a <u>previous ParentCONNECT user</u>, your login will be p. (the letter p and a period) followed by your ParentCONNECT username.

<u>Password:</u> If you are a new user, your password (a combination of upper and lower case letters and numbers) will be given to you along with your new login.

If you are a previous ParentCONNECT user, your password must now be at least six (6) all capital letters and/or numbers. If your previous ParentCONNECT password was less than six characters, add to the endenough Z's to equal six characters.

PTA

The PTA officers and board members work hard to develop programs and activities to keep you interested and involved. The PTA counts on your support. Working together we can continue to promote a good atmosphere for our children's education. Parents and teachers are encouraged to join the PTA and attend meetings. Attending PTA meetings is one of the best opportunities for parents to learn about school activities.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards are sent home 4 times per year for kindergarten through fifth grade. Please review each report carefully, and discuss them with your child. Offer encouragement for areas that have improved along with <u>constructive</u> comments on how to do better. These reports are only one indication of how your child is progressing. Others include work samples sent home, interim progress reports, and most importantly, conferences with your child's teacher.

Report Card Dates:

October 27, January 19, April 5, & May 27

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The SAC is made up of parents, teachers and community members. The major purposes of this committee are:

- 1. To gain knowledge concerning the mission and goals of the school.
- 2. To inform parents and community members of school activities & programs.
- 3. To make suggestions concerning program improvements with respect to student needs and program operation.

4. To assist in the preparation of the School Improvement Plan & its evaluation.

Meetings are held monthly and announced in the school newsletters. All parents and community members are invited to participate in these open meetings. Contact the school office for more information.

SCHOOL BUS

The school bus driver and bus assistants are in charge of the students on the bus. Students must obey the driver. The ability of all students to ride the bus is conditional on their behavior and observance of the rules and regulations. Safety demands the complete cooperation of students. Misbehavior may result in a suspension of bus riding privileges.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Students are expected to come to school prepared for the day. They should bring paper, pencils, homework, & books. All other instructional materials are provided by the school.

Backpacks make carrying materials to and from school easier, but they are not required. If you choose to send one with your child, please be sure it is labeled with your child's name.

SCHOOL HOURS: 8:45 - 2:55

8:15 AM - Breakfast in the cafeteria

8:45 AM - Classes begin

2:55 PM - Students are dismissed

*No students should arrive at school before 8:15 AM as there is no supervision prior to that time. We appreciate your cooperation ahead of time. *

SCHOOL TELEPHONE

Someone is available to take your call from 7:30 AM until 3:30 PM daily. Parents wanting to conduct phone conferences with their child's teacher are asked to do so before 8:15 AM and after 2:55 PM. Teachers are with their classes between 8:45 and 2:55 and are not available for phone conferences during this time. Students are permitted to use the school phone for emergencies only. Please make arrangements for rainy days, after school activities, etc. before your child comes to school.

STUDENT COMPUTER NETWORK/INTERNET AGREEMENT

Students at Sexton have the educational opportunity to use the Internet. Research conducted by the Center for Applied Special Technology has demonstrated that elementary students with access to the Internet and other communications perform better in the classroom than those without such access. Along with that opportunity, however, comes responsibility for ethical conduct. The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and students must be

responsible for their own behavior. Any student using the school's Internet connection will be required to sign the Pinellas County Schools Network/Internet Acceptable Use Agreement and this document will be kept on file. Students are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to the following:

- Keep personal addresses, phone numbers, or other personal information of yourself or classmates private.
- Be polite. Please use courteous messages to others.
 Abusive messages to others are prohibited.
- Use appropriate language. Do not swear, use vulgarities, or any other inappropriate language.
- · Always engage in law abiding activities.
- Electronic mail is public. People who operate the system have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activity may be reported to the authorities.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Safety Patrols</u>: Safety Patrol members must be models of good behavior for the entire student body. Their job is to assist in keeping order on walkways and helping children cross streets safely while coming to school and returning home.

Student Council: Student Council members will be actively involved in planning and coordinating school wide activities and making school wide decisions to solve problems identified by the students. They will be selected through the election process in the fall.

National Elementary Honor Society: The National Elementary Honor Society (NEHS) offers the opportunity to recognize and engage outstanding students. NEHS recognizes excellence in scholarship, focuses on responsibility, and encourages leadership and service.

<u>Multicultural Committee:</u> The Student Multicultural Committee consists of 20-25 students with diverse backgrounds. Teachers from grades 3-5 are invited to nominate two students from their class to serve on the council. These students need to be good role models and possess leadership qualities. Through activities members learn about and gain an appreciation for cultural differences. Members also help plan activities that enhance tolerance and multicultural education. The committee meets once a month or more often when needed.

TARDINESS

The first 35 minutes are the most important part of the school day! Being tardy not only prevents your child from receiving critical instruction, it also interrupts the learning process of other children when your child enters the classroom late. Please help your child to be here on time. If your child is late arriving at school, he/she will be required to report to the office before being admitted to class. This is necessary to prevent your child from being marked absent when they are actually present.

* Note: Repeated tardiness will necessitate a phone call and/or letter being sent to the parent and could result in a referral to the State Attorney's Office.*

TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS

Most classrooms will be using a variety of teaching and learning materials on a daily basis with the textbook being **one** of them. Every classroom will have a supply of textbooks as supplied by the district for student use. Books taken home will then become the responsibility of the parent & child. Lost or damaged books will be assessed a fine that the parent is required to pay.

TRESPASSING

Students are not permitted on school grounds after school hours or on weekends. The school will not be responsible for students who are on school property without permission. If this becomes a problem, you will be contacted. Security checks of the campus are made nightly and on weekends.

Reminder: Schools are smoke free. No smoking is allowed on our campus and this includes car pick up line.

VISITORS

Our school is a family oriented school and is open to visitation by parents and other interested persons. If you wish to visit the school or a specific classroom, please contact the school at least 1 day in advance. Upon your arrival you are required to sign in at the office. This is our opportunity to greet you, give you our visitor's badge, and explain our policies and procedures. We do regret that preschoolers are not permitted to visit classes.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Working as a school volunteer can be exciting and fun. Volunteers help to meet the needs of children in many different ways. You could help with any of the following activities:

- Drive on field trips
- Chaperone on field trips
- Volunteer in the classroom (as little as 1 hour a week OR as much as you are able):
- Work with small groups of children in reading or math
- Work with 1 student at a time to give extra help
- Help make materials for the students to use (cut, color, etc.)
- Help to set up learning centers in the classroom
- Help to create bulletin boards for the classroom
- Assist with filing and collating papers
- Volunteer at home (whenever the teacher needs help or by scheduling a certain night)
- Help to find speakers, magazine articles, books, etc. for the unit students are studying in school.

NOTE: Volunteers/chaperones for field trips must be registered 3 weeks in advance. Register to become one of our valuable

volunteers by calling our Volunteer Coordinator today. We look forward to working together as a partner in your child's education.

WELLNESS GUIDELINES

The District has a Wellness Policy addressing

1) Nutrition Education, 2) Physical Activity, 3) Other School-Based Activities, 4) Foods on Campus.

Foods on Campus: In order to address the growing childhood obesity issue, our school will not serve or provide access for our students to foods with minimal nutritional value or to any variety of candy. This includes school fundraisers.

<u>Snacks and special events:</u> Parents who would like to send snacks should call the school office or the classroom teacher to make sure the items are within the guidelines. All snacks must comply with the district's nutrition standards and may not contain any low nutritional candy or dessert type items (cookies, cakes, cupcakes, pudding, ice cream or frozen desserts, etc.) All food items should be store bought. **NO HOMEMADE TREATS.**

With principal permission, students may be given low nutritional foods, candy items or other restricted foods only twice during the school year.

Classroom Snack Suggestions Fresh Fruits & Vegetables

Fresh vegetables

Canned fruits in natural or light juices

Unsweetened fruit or vegetable juices

Raisins or other dried fruits

Grains (1.5 oz. or less)

Unsweetened cereals Crackers
Unbuttered popcorn Pretzels
Baked tortilla chips Baked chips

Unsweetened cereal, pretzel and nut mix

Graham or animal crackers

Goldfish crackers Munchies Kids Mix

Cereal Bars (2 oz. or less)

Multigrain bars Quaker Oatmeal bars

Rice Krispies Treats

Bakery Items (3 oz. or less)

Whole grain breads Bagels
English Muffins Mini Muffins

Beverages (12 oz. or less)

Bottled water Flavored water (0 calories)

100% fruit juice

Low-fat milk, flavored or unflavored

100% vegetable juices

Miscellaneous

Low-fat cheese Peanut Butter Salsa Yogurt

Sugar-free gelatin

Parents wishing to bring in items to celebrate a child's birthday may consider the healthy snacks listed above or may consider none food items such as: party trinkets, special pencils, crayons, markers, fun erasers etc.

Cupcakes and sweet treats are not acceptable within Pinellas County School expectations.

WITHDRAWING FROM SCHOOL

Should your family find it necessary to move out of our school zone, please follow the steps below to make withdrawal easier for both you and your child.

- 1. Notify the school at least <u>2 days prior</u> to your child's last day. You may call the school or send in a note.
- 2. Return all library and textbooks, computers and pay any fines or loans.
- 3. Pick up the appropriate transfer papers from the school office on your child's last day.

Y.M.C.A.

The YMCA provides before and after school care daily from 6:30 AM - 8:15 AM and from 2:55 PM - 6:00 PM in our school cafeteria. Developmental and enrichment activities are a part of the program as well as an afternoon snack. If you are interested in having your child participate, you can call 895-9622 for additional information.