Online Resources for Secondary English Learners

Dear ESOL families,

Below you will find online resources to help your child become successful in school. Please take time to explore these sites with your child and experience which sites work better for your child’s individual needs. Providing time and support at home will build strong study habits and academic mindsets needed to succeed in today’s world. We are here to help your child grow and reach his/her goals.

**Resources to help me with homework:**

- https://www.khanacademy.org/
- http://steinhardt.nyu.edu/metrocenter/resources/glossaries
- http://floridastudents.org/
- http://studyjams.scholastic.com/studyjams/
- https://www.shmoop.com/
- http://www.fsassessments.org
- https://www.brainpop.com (visit your students school website for username and password)
- http://www.iready.com (password required- available if student is enrolled in Intensive Reading or ELP)
- https://www.myon.com (use r2d2 to log in)
- www.edcite.com
- http://www.fsagarnes.com/

**Resources to help me learn**

**English:**

- https://www.duolingo.com/
- https://americanenglish.state.gov/
- http://discoverykids.com/
- https://pcs.cvisualthesaurus.com/
- http://welcome.eslreadingsmart.com/ (Account created at school)
- https://www.pronunciator.com/ (Must register through the Public Library)

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**Homework Helpline**

727-547-7223

The Helpline offers free homework assistance for students in grades 1 through 12. It is available from 5 to 8 p.m. From Monday to Thursday, every day, except when there is no school. The assistance in the Helpline is in English.

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**Para más información por favor contactar a:**

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ESOL Family Outreach Newsletter

Pinellas County Schools - News

2019-2020 Open House Nights
Please plan a visit to a Pinellas County School during the 2019-2020 Open House Nights:
All Elementary Schools:
Thursday, September 5, 2019
Tuesday, September 17, 2019
Thursday, September 26, 2019
All Middle Schools:
Thursday, September 12, 2019
Wednesday, September 25, 2019
Fundamental Middle and Intermediate Schools:
Thursday, September 19, 2019
Many High Schools:
Wednesday, September 18, 2019
Please check with the school for visitation dates and times.

Up-to-date contact information:
Change Phone/Email Contact Information
Please make sure PCS has your current contact info. The school district needs accurate contact information to send parents phone calls and emails about emergencies or severe weather, School or district events, and Special application opportunities.
To update your phone and email address:
• Visit https://reservation.pcsb.org
and log in with your parent username and password. If you do not have a parent ID or forgot yours, you can get help at any public school. Make sure to present a valid photo ID.
• Select the option: “Change Phone and Email Address Only”
• Enter your child’s name and date of birth or student ID number, and update your phone number and email address.

May We Text You?
PCS is using text messages as an additional way to communicate with parents/guardians of students in Pinellas County Schools. Text messages will only be used to communicate information related to school emergencies.
Parents/guardians can text “Y” or “Yes” to 67587 to begin receiving text messages from the school district. If you already receive recorded phone messages from your child’s school on your mobile number, you are ready to opt in to receive text messages. If you do not receive recorded phone messages on your mobile phone, please contact your student’s school to provide a mobile phone number and update the information in FOCUS (student information system).

Free Events for ESOL Families

1. ESOL Community Advisory Meeting
Location:
Clearwater East Community Library - SPC Clearwater Campus: 2251 Drew St., Clearwater, FL Building LI, First Floor, Community Room
Date: Thursday, Sept 5
Time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Objectives: Collaborate with ESOL families and community agencies to learn about the needs of ESOL families and connect families with community services and agencies

2. Meeting School Academic Expectations
Location:
Clearwater East Community Library located in SPC Clearwater Campus: 2465 Drew St. Clearwater Building LI Community Room
Date: Thursday, Sept 5
Time: 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Objectives: Parents will learn about:
1. Tests their child will take at school: English Language Proficiency and other district and state assessments
2. How to achieve academic success
3. Reading and Math skills across grade levels
4. Resources for success: Clever and PLP

3. Pinellas County School District Application Programs (DAP) 2020-2021
Location:
Clearwater East Community Library located in SPC Clearwater Campus: 2465 Drew St. Clearwater Building LI Community Room
Date: Thursday, Oct 3
Time: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

4. ESOL Community Resource Fair Fall 2019
Location:
St. Petersburg College Campos Clearwater
2465 Drew St., Clearwater, FL 33755 Building: ES Room: 104
Date: Tuesday, October 15th
Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Objective(s): Connect K-12 ESOL families with community resources and social services available for families and students in Pinellas

Resources for Families and Students

Free Pinellas County Schools App
It helps families access student information on their cell phones and mobile devices. The App provides easy access to: Current Student Grades, Current Student Attendance, Recent Student Assignments, Upcoming Student Assignments, and more. The app can be downloaded from the Google Play Store or the Apple App store.

The Personalized Learning Pathway (PLP) It helps students keep track of achievements, goals, see their performance on assessments, access targeted lessons to improve, track progress toward graduation and discover areas they may need to address, and more. Students can access the PLP through clever.com/in/pcsbs by signing in with their PCS email account.

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Pinellas County Schools
Parent Helpline
En Español
Spanish-speaking parents have the opportunity to call the helpline to obtain information related to the school district.
Helpline phone number: 727-588-6415