

QUARTER 1 UPDATE

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 2: SAFE AND RESPECTFUL CLIMATE AND CULTURE OBJECTIVE 5: BUILD POSITIVE, CARING CULTURES OF LEARNING IN EVERY CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL



Progress: July 2024 - September 2024



OBJECTIVE 5 STRATEGIES IN ACTION

Power Up Learning

The Power Up Learning, Power Down Distractions campaign launched this school year, focusing on digital responsibility. Students across all grades are learning and practicing **age-appropriate internet safety** and **digital responsibility skills**, which empower them to utilize technology for learning and mastering the digital world. Additionally, students are learning to minimize distractions by limiting cell phone and wireless device use during the school day.

Student Mental Health

PCS Student Services developed a **resource hub** for mental health and resiliency lessons and materials. The resources were informed by student input and include state- and district-developed resources to be used in classrooms.

FAST FACTS



Positive Student Engagement

Student attendance and discipline data have improved districtwide compared to 2023-24. The percentage of students attending more than 90% of the time has increased by 5 points, and the percentage of students with disciplinary referrals has decreased by 7 points.



School Climate, Behavior and Mental Health Summer Institute

PCS partnered with 20 community organizations that provided resources for the 785 PCS staff who participated and engaged in learning.

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OBJECTIVE 6 STRATEGIES IN ACTION

School Safety

The School Safety Training Day provided an in-depth review of the new laws and accompanying procedures, which include new requirements for **securing campuses** with locked doors and gates. The district safety officers continue to work closely with the Florida Office of Safe Schools to **evaluate and improve the safety measures** at all PCS schools.

Educational Alternative Services (EAS)

The Academic Intervention Plan helps students at EAS schools **transition** to traditional K-12 schools to earn to their diploma or pursue postsecondary goals. Students collaborate with school staff to create strategies and interventions **tailored to their needs**. The plan includes academic, attendance, and behavior goals, with progress checked every quarter.

Cybersecurity

PCS implemented a **multilayered approach** to protect the network, data, devices, and user identity. The security includes testing the system's vulnerability and training staff.

FAST FACTS



Awareness of Student Services

Student Services staff attended ten family events to **raise awareness** of student mental health and wellbeing, and to inform families and students of services available.



PATHS Program

The Purposeful Attention Towards Helping Students Succeed (PATHS) program has **reached capacity** at its first two locations and opened a new location at Tarpon Springs High School in 2024-25.

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