



Nationally Certified Magnet School of Distinction 2021
Nationally Certified Demonstration Magnet School 2022



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Vision:
Engineering innovative thinkers for global success.

Mission:
Provide a diverse and caring learning environment with highly qualified teachers, unique family and community partnerships, and distinct engineering curriculum.

Calendar of Events

- Jan. 9 School resumes and second semester begins
- Jan. 10-20 at 5:00 PM - District Application Period
- Jan. 10 PTA Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Jan. 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday – No School
- Jan. 19 Report Cards Distributed
- Jan. 19 PTA Snow Day
- Jan. 23 SAC Meeting and
Conscious Discipline Parent Workshop, 5:30
- Jan. 27 PBIS Big Event - Cupid Shuffle
- Feb. 7 Mid-Period Progress Report
- Feb. 8-17 DAP Acceptance Period
- Feb. 9 Class Pictures
- Feb. 13 Magnet Program Advisory Board, 4:15
- Feb. 13 SAC Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Feb. 13 Kennedy Space Center Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Feb. 20 No School for students
- Feb. 21 Magnet Program Advisory Board, 4:15
- Feb. 21 SAC Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Feb. 21 Kennedy Space Center Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm

Pre-K and VPK

The acceptance period ends on January 13th.
The enrollment process at your assigned school should be completed between January 23rd and February 3rd.
The late application period opens on February 13th.

More information can be found on the District's website:
<https://www.pcsb.org/Page/11922>

For specific information, please email
Mrs. Teagle, teaglel@pcsb.org

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Message from the Principal

Heather Peters



Hello Families,

Welcome back to the second half of the 2022 - 2023 school year!

I hope you had a restful and fun-filled break. We are excited to continue our learning journey.

I want to remind you of a few important items.

First up - our school improvement goals and big initiatives this year. Our school improvement goals are to eliminate the achievement gap and to reach 70% of students meeting or exceeding expectations in math and science, and 63% meeting or exceeding expectations in ELA. This is our next step toward the district vision of 100% student success. In order to achieve these goals, we are working toward helping students achieve mastery on each benchmark of the Florida B.E.S.T. Standards.

We continue to monitor student achievement through the use of State progress monitoring tools as well as district assessments. K - 2 students should have received reports on their progress prior to the Holiday break. 3 - 5 students and parents can access this information through Focus.

Next up - now is the time to Apply for Kindergarten or 6th Grade. Do you have an incoming kindergartener or an outgoing 5th grader? If so, please read this information carefully.

The District Application Window is open starting Tuesday, 1/10/23 through 1/20/23, 5:00 PM. You must apply even if you have a sibling at Jamerson. To claim "sibling priority" the sibling must attend Jamerson next year and live in the same household. (Cousins may not claim sibling priority.) Please remember to mark the sibling box to ensure sibling priority.

For kindergarten you need to choose Jamerson as your first-choice school. You will need your older child's student ID to apply. You can get this information from the report card sticker or call the office. Outgoing 5th Graders wanting to attend our feeder schools, Bay Point or Azalea Middle, must choose either as the first choice to receive priority.

If your child is already a Jamerson student, there is no need to reapply for next year. Once you are a Jamerson student, you automatically continue to have a seat. If you need help during this process, please contact the office or Ms. O'Hare 552-1703 X 2305, we can assist you at school.

We are looking forward to a happy and healthy 2023 filled with powerful learning.

Thank you for all that you do to support your child's success and to make Jamerson the very best place to be!

Heather Peters

Principal

SNOW DAY - Thursday, January 19th

PTA is once again sponsoring this super chill event!

Please send an extra outfit to school with your child to change into after they've enjoyed the winter festivities. Shirts, shorts/pants, underpants, and socks could get very wet.

Volunteers Needed

Registered volunteers are needed to support the various weekly events that student's look forward to, as well as the numerous special events that make our school so amazing.

Event Volunteer sign-up: <https://signup.com/go/DDAaRut>

For more information, contact Laura Stees, steesl@pcsb.org, Family & Community Liaison

Clothing Closet

The Front Office Clothing Closet needs new or gently used clothing. Most needed are boys' and girls' pants/shorts in 4 -14, and ladies' small -medium, that meet PCS dress code. Thank you for your continued support.



DISTRICT APPLICATION PERIOD

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

If your child will be entering Kindergarten, 6th or 9th grade next year, you will need to know these important dates!

Must have Focus ID and password

Step 1: Get a Parent I.D. and Password - **MUST HAVE** your photo ID with you.

- If you do not already have a Focus User ID and password for your family, go to a nearby school to request one.
- To reset the password for an existing Focus account, please visit any school.

You only need one User ID and password per family. Ensure all children are linked to your account.

Step 2: Apply Online January 10 -20, 2023 before 5:00 pm.

- Log onto the Student Reservation System (SRS), <https://reservation.pcsb.org> using your User ID and password.
- Select District Application Programs.
- Enter your **five** program selections from the list of programs.

REMEMBER: Non-PCS students must deliver all documentation of program eligibility to the appropriate program office(s) by the close of the school day on January 21, 2022.

To secure one of these priority seats, you must apply during the application period *and* rank that school as your first choice. Then, you must go back into the system during the acceptance period and accept the invitation of your choice.

For more information, go to www.pcsb.org

*Please note: For your incoming kindergarten scholar to get sibling priority, you must also apply at this time.

**Please note: Our current Jamerson 5th graders will have priority admission upon application to:

The Gateway to Technology Program at Azalea Middle or

The Center for Advancement of Science and Technology at Bay Point Middle School.

Step 3: Accept Invitations Feb. 8-17, 2023 before 5:00 pm.

- Log onto the Student Reservation System (SRS) with your User ID and password during this period to accept a program invitation. *If you do not accept an invitation during this period, your child's invitation(s) will no longer be valid.*
- Review your child's status in all programs to which you applied.
- It is not necessary to accept waiting list positions.
- If you accept any ONE program's invitation during this period, the student's name will be removed from all other lists.
- You have the option to change your mind and select a different program before the 5:00 PM February 18, 2022 deadline.

February 20—24, 2023: Newly Invited Sibling Priority.

March 2023: Schools call from waitlists.

Please contact Ms. O'Hare ohared@pcsb.org with questions regarding Jamerson's Magnet Program.
Please contact Jamerson's Front Office for Parent Focus ID information. 727-552-1703

District Application Window 1/10/23 - 1/20/23, 5:00 PM

All incoming kindergarten students and outgoing 5th graders who want to attend a choice school must apply.

- If you have an incoming kindergarten student, you must apply even if you have a sibling at Jamerson.
To claim "sibling priority" the sibling (cousins may not claim sibling priority) must attend Jamerson next year and live in the same household.
You need to choose Jamerson as your first-choice school.
You will need the older student's ID to apply, you can get this from their report card sticker or call the office.
- Fifth Graders wanting to attend our feeder schools, Bay Point or Azalea Middle, must choose either as the first choice to receive priority.

If you need help during this process, please contact the office or Ms. O'Hare 552-1703 x2305