

## POINTS OF PRIDE

- One of 35 authorized IB PYP world schools in the State of Florida
- Social Studies Teacher - Pinellas County Schools Teacher of the Year Semi-Finalist for 2013
- Principal has served on the Board of the Florida League of IB Schools (FLIBS) for several years
- Principal serving as the PYP Representative for the Americas region on the International Baccalaureate PYP Committee meeting yearly in The Hague, The Netherlands
- Visits from prospective & authorized IB schools from around the world
- Magnet Schools of America School of Distinction Award (2013)
- International Garden Club – One Saturday a month families volunteer to maintain and enhance the seven award-winning internationally-themed gardens throughout the campus
- In collaboration with the Edible Peace Patch Project, Sanderlin's organic garden provides an outside lab for PreK-8 dedicated to a deeper understanding of science and sustainability
- IB students and staff take action in their school, local and global communities (e.g., Race for the Cure, Sanderlin's Annual Tortuga Trot to raise monies for childhood diabetes research, school-wide recycling and ongoing clothing and food drives for Lakeview Presbyterian Operation Attack)

## HOW TO APPLY

Students living anywhere in the county can apply to this school during the designated application period. Please check the District website at [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org) for more information. There are no entrance criteria to apply for the elementary magnet program in this school.

*Students enrolled in the PreK program in the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme World School at James Sanderlin PK-8 IB World School are assured a kindergarten position in the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme World School at James Sanderlin PK-8 IB World School provided they complete an application and accept a program invitation by the deadline.*

## TRANSPORTATION

Arterial bus transportation (buses that operate on main roads with a limited number of stops) is provided to students who live more than two miles from the school. Magnet bus stop locations may require that parents drive their children to and from the stop.

## OUR MISSION

James B. Sanderlin PK-8, an IB World School, is committed to teaching and learning with the brain and heart in mind. Our community of active, lifelong learners will use an inquiry approach through our challenging programmes to become internationally-minded citizens.



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**Mission:** "Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

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# International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme

**JAMES B. SANDERLIN PK-8 IB WORLD SCHOOL**



**MAGNET SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS**

**LOOK • EXPLORE • DISCOVER**



# look • explore • discover

## ABOUT US

As an authorized International Baccalaureate® (IB) World School since 2007, learning about the world comes alive by stimulating curiosity and inquiry, fostering a spirit of discovery and enjoyment of learning. IB students embrace their own culture and become open and responsive to other cultures and views. Our curriculum framework centers around student inquiry, where teachers and students find connections among all subjects including the arts. This approach fosters knowledgeable and caring young people, supports reflective practice and inspires “taking action” to make the world a better place. The philosophy and practice of this international program encourages a more peaceful world by helping children become responsible global citizens.

## areas of study

### TRANSDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMME OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

The International Baccalaureate® (IB) offers high quality, challenging programmes of international education to a worldwide community of schools. The aim of all IB programmes is to develop citizens of the world who celebrate what we have in common across the continents and respect the differences across all cultures. At Sanderlin PK-8, this philosophy of teaching and learning comes alive throughout our beautiful, engaging campus and classrooms and within each child as we embrace the ten attributes of the IB Learner Profile.

Our instructional approach reflects real life experiences by encouraging learning within and beyond traditional subject areas (languages, humanities, sciences, mathematics and the arts) with meaningful, in-depth inquiries into relevant local, community and worldwide issues. Starting in PreK, IB themes of global significance are explored each year with our goal of developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who want to make a difference in making the world a better and more peaceful place for all.

With an interest in building children’s ability to think deeply and critically at all ages, many schoolwide learning strategies are emphasized. “Thinking codes” allow students to gain a deeper understanding of the topics they study at each grade level. Teaching students to ask “quality questions” helps them explore connections between subjects such as math and science, as well as apply knowledge to real world situations. Our literacy-rich classrooms include a wide range of literature that encourages differing perspectives of stories through discussions and questioning. At all grade levels, students develop basic Spanish skills and explore various cultures. Specialists in Art, Music, and P.E. promote imagination, communication, creativity and original thinking, further strengthening our IB curriculum framework.

Our educational approach emphasizes learning opportunities for individual and collaborative planning and research among students and teachers alike. This helps build a strong foundation for being reflective about our own progress and goals, taking

## what is a magnet?

Magnet programs focus on a certain theme with specialized curriculum in areas such as arts, communication, science and technology, and gifted studies. Some programs have eligibility requirements. Students living anywhere in the county may apply.

action in our community and the world, as well as valuing the importance of lifelong learning.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- IB curriculum framework begins in PreK and continues through 8th grade.
- At the heart of the IB programmes are the building blocks of international-mindedness, the ten IB Learner Profile attributes.
- A school wide wireless network connects a variety of technologies for curriculum integration to provide in-depth research & multimedia presentations, and enhances the inquiry nature of the curriculum.
- The Sanderlin Universal News Network (SUNN) is a student-produced and directed daily news show.
- An annual 8th grade IB Community Project, 5th Grade IB Exhibition and PreK-5 student-led conferences celebrate the students’ IB experience.
- An annual *Evening Among the Stars* family event highlights the creative artistry of Sanderlin PK-8 students and staff.
- PTSA Annual International Dinner – PTSA sponsors a fabulous evening of food, festivities and fun highlighting a region of the world.
- All Pro Dads and i-Moms host a monthly breakfast.
- Strings & Chorus are options for Grades 4 & 5.
- Extracurricular clubs enrich daily learning before, during and after school (e.g., Save the Planet Club, National Elementary Honors Society for 4th & 5th grades, GamesRUs).
- Three Sanderlin Instructional Staff members chosen as trainers for the International Baccalaureate of the Americas.
- Reading competitions through Junior Joustors (Gr. 2) and Book Boxing (Gr. 3-5) in preparation for Battle of the Books.
- Full-time gifted program on-site to serve all academically talented students K-8).



## Sanderlin PK-8 IB World School

