Leila G. Davis Elementary



2630 Landmark Drive Clearwater, FL 33761 (727) 725-7972

November 3, 2020

Principal: William Durst Assistant Principal: Kathryn Gualtieri

Principal's Page

A Message from Mr. Durst

What an amazing start to our VERY different school year "Take 2!". We are excited to have approximately 110 more students back with us Face to Face (F2F). Thankfully everyone has settled in place for learning for the 2nd quarter of our school year. I sincerely appreciate your patience as we essentially restarted our school year again for the second time.

I know many are wondering "how's it going" on campus? Well, I have great news to share. To date, Leila Davis has not had any positive Covid-19 student cases to report and not one classroom has needed to be placed into quarantine! Our new F2F students are doing an amazing job with wearing masks and practicing safe/healthy behaviors. If you have any questions or concerns about the health of your child and what you should do in case of illness at home or school and whether they are permitted to enter our building, please call our school-based Covid team. What we have learned so far is that every case is unique and requires actions specific to each one. Don't hesitate to reach out to our office at 725-7972 with any health related issues.

Arrival-Dismissal / Water Bottles Needed / Second Semester

Another way to help us stay safe is by always wearing a mask when entering our building for student pick-up or early release. This should be the only time parents are on campus. Please know, that during arrival and dismissal of students, our campus is still closed to parents and we ask that you coordinate with your child's teacher to be a car rider. This will allow us to maintain minimal foot traffic during these times.

<u>Important</u> November Dates:

- HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP is NOW OPEN VIRTUALLY www.wonderlandgiftshoppes .store and be sure to fill in all school and student information when you are checking out before 12/7/20.
- Tuesday, November 10th 6:30PM General PTA
 Meeting with Internet Safety and Cyber Bullying Speaker
- Wednesday, November 18th Virtual Great American Teach In
- Wednesday, November 18th-Spirit Night at Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza. Be sure to mention Leila Davis Elementary
- Saturday, November 21st at
 9AM (virtual) All Pro Dad
 Meeting
- November 23-27th –
 Thanksgiving Break





- Stay up to date by viewing our school website http://pcsb.org/davis-es
- Like us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/LeilaGDavisES/
- Follow us on Twitter at https://twitter.com/LeilaGDavis_ES
- Join us on Remind to receive text messages. Text @leilad to 81010
- Sign up for Peachjar e-flyers at https://www.peachjar.com

Area 1 Associate Superintendent: Mr. Ward Kennedy (727) 588-5023

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For our F2F families, please know that we are not able to provide water bottles to students every day and we have fewer locations to safely dispense water. Please ensure that water bottles are sent in with your child everyday along with their masks, lunch, backpacks, etc.

Of course, I am sure many of you are wondering what will happen during the second semester of our school year. I anticipate over the next couple of weeks our district will begin to communicate what our learning options will be for second semester. Stay tuned to the website pcsb.org, our district website https://www.pcsb.org/davis-es, Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/leiladavispta/, Twitter Page, and PTA website for the latest information.

Return of School Computers

If your student has returned to campus for school and has a school owned computer or device (iPad), we are now collecting those so that we can have technology available for our students on campus. You can either send the computer in with your child and they can return it to their teacher or drop the device off at our front office. Once returned, we will issue you a receipt for the returned device. Current MyPCS students who have a school computer/device may keep those at home for school work.

Student Attendance

The month of November at Davis ushers in the excitement, magic, and craziness of the holiday season. With this in mind, please stay committed to attending school every day, getting your student to school on time, and minimizing early pull-outs from a school day. Making this commitment will ensure your child has the opportunity to succeed and our amazing Davis staff can truly meet their needs. Our school district has adopted the phrase "Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow". In all grades, attendance for our MyPCS and F2F students is vital to the success of your student. The direct correlation of absenteeism and student dropout rate is eye opening. Ultimately, it's all about consistency. Please take the time to check out the following resource from attendanceworks.org regarding the importance of

building good habits of attendance.



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Teacher Spotlight



I'm Mrs. Collier and I'm honored to be this year's Teacher of the Year! I've been teaching in Pinellas County for 13 years. This is my 2nd year here at Leila Davis. It has been

a wonderful experience getting to know the staff and families over the past year. This is truly an amazing community. Teaching is something I've always known I wanted to do; in high school I worked for the YMCA and R'Club afterschool programs and discovered how much I enjoy working with kids. I've mainly taught the upper elementary grades, and I've also been a district math coach. I grew up here in Pinellas County and went to Pinellas County Schools. I earned my bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from St. Pete College. I later earned my first master's degree from the University of Florida and my second master's degree from Saint Leo University. My husband and I live in Palm Harbor with our almost 2-year-old son and two dogs. My immediate family all lives in the area, so we enjoy spending time together and having Sunday Family Dinners. We also enjoy being outdoors and spend most weekends exploring parks and going to the zoo. I feel truly blessed to be a Davis Bear Cub!

Save the Date



Virtual Great American Teach In is on Wednesday, November 18th. We will be doing pre-recorded or live video presentations. If you have a career or fun hobby or know someone who does, and you would like to share, please contact

Dominica Reed, ReedDom@pcsb.org. We would LOVE to have you share your expertise with our students. Email pre-recorded videos to Mrs. Reed before November 13th and if you would like to do a live virtual session, contact the teacher.

Physical Education



Super Sport Award

An award given from the PE coaches to students who display Good Sportsmanship, Attitude, Participation, Effort and Respect. Let's give a big shout out to the below students!!!

November PE Super Sports PreK - Silas Szramowski

Kindergarten – Isabella Gerstel 1st Grade <u>– William</u> Burr 2nd Grade – Ervin Qorri 3rd Grade – Ayla Ferrell 4th Grade – Cayman Ellis

5th Grade – Robby Mincey

October Kiwanis Student of the Month
Carter Lieb - 5th Grade PE

Congratulations!!!







Reminder: Bring your water bottles to PE!!!

Thank you to the Royce Family for your kind donation.

activate your Volunteer Status and update your e-mail so you can receive Volunteer and School Event Information.

Please Remember to Log In and Re-

- If you are a returning volunteer you do NOT need to complete a new volunteer registration form. Please log in to your profile and check to make sure all your information is up to date.

 Go to https://focus.pcsb.org/volunteer. Use your v.account information, username (v.last name first initial) example: v.smithd and password (first letter capitalized immediately followed by 4 digit birth year) example: Smith 1975.
- If your child is attending a new school, please contact the Family & Community Liaison at the new school and ask to have your volunteer profile connected to the new school.

Level II Fingerprints

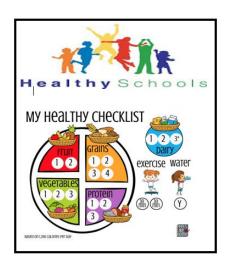
Have you gone for your fingerprints for your Level II volunteer status, but have not gotten your Level II badge? If so, contact Mrs. Reed at reeddom@pcsb.org so you can get your paperwork for your

badge.

How do I become a volunteer? Log on to www.pcsb.org/volunteerregistration and fill out the



online application. Put an up to date email on your application and you will receive a notice that you have been approved and it will include your username and password for your volunteer profile.



Adopt-A-Class & Program Sponsorship

Our students truly benefit from the sponsorships created for the school. With the additional funds

provided through these relationships, our students are offered additional opportunities that may not have been otherwise possible without the assistance of our community members. There are continuing budget cuts which makes it imperative that we reach out to our families and community for support. If you are interested in sponsoring a class, please see the front office or your child's teacher for more details.

Davis Business Partner (\$350 and up)

Astro Skate

Davis Dreamers (\$300 and above)

Davis Partner (\$200-\$299)

Davis Friend (\$100-\$199)

• Sturgill Family

Davis Associate (up to \$99)

• Bowe Family

In Kind Donations:

SteinMart



Holiday Gift Shop

The HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP is

now open virtually at

www.wonderlandgiftshoppes.store Be sure

to fill in all school, teacher and student information when you are checking out before 12/7/20. Items will be delivered to the school and sent home with your student. If you are a virtual student be on the lookout for a pick up date when you can come get your purchases.





Looking for **Donations**



- Children's Disposable Masks
- Children's gently used Clothing, especially boys sizes 5-8 and all sizes of new underwear are needed in our clinic.



Events and information are posted on Peachjar. To register and receive all school e-flyers go to

www.peachjar.com. If you are already signed up for Peachjar at another school, just add our school by going to your profile and clicking on "My Account," then click on notification preferences and choose our school.



Lunch Pal

Mentors Needed

If you love children and want to make a difference in their

lives, please come mentor students in need of a good role model to teach them how to succeed in life. It will only take 30 minutes of your time each week to make a difference with a child. (We are currently only doing virtual mentoring until further notice.) Here is a list of training workshops available:

Lunch Pal Training Dates

11/05/2020 — 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

11/12/2020 — Noon to 1:15 p.m.

11/19/2020 — 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Sign up at https://www.pcsb.org/lunchpals



Business Partners

2020-2021



2680 Landmark Drive Clearwater, FL 33761



Kiwanis Club of Safety Harbor P. O. BOX 312 Safety Harbor, FL 34695



2451 N. McMullen Booth Rd.

Clearwater, FL 33759



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PTA News

MEMBERHUB – JOIN PTA TODAY!!



WHO can join???

<u>ANYONE</u> who wants to support and positively impact our students!

WHY should you join???

Your membership dues and donations help fund the PTA's support of students, families, teachers and to achieve school goals!

UPCOMING EVENTS/UPDATES

- Nov. 10 @ 6:30 pm General Meeting (see the clickable flyer to the right)
- ◆ Nov. 21 @ 9:00 am All Pro Dads Meeting (for more info, please email John at allprodad_leiladavis@aol.com)
- ◆ Classes that still need Room Parents Clark, Adkins, Beach, Higgs, Collier, Piatt





INTERNET SAFETY/CYBER BULLYING

RESCHEDULED!
NOVEMBER 10 AT 6:30PM

LEILA G. DAVIS PTA VIRTUAL GENERAL MEETING

Want to learn about ways to keep your child safe online? Join us to hear a special Internet Safety and Cyber Bullying Speaker!

TEAMS Meeting Link https://tinyurl.com/PTAMTG-Nov

All are welcome!



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https://www.facebook.com/leiladavispta/

Email us at leiladavispta@gmail.com



Counselor's Corner

Vanessa Lofstedt, M.A. <u>lofstedtv@pcsb.org</u> (727) 725-7972 x2010

Classroom lessons

As a part of my comprehensive school counseling program, I visit classrooms approximately once every six weeks to provide direction instruction on a variety of topics. Classroom lessons fall into the academic, career, and/or personal-social domains and are aligned with the Florida School Counseling Framework, and the American School Counseling Association Mindsets and Behaviors.

In September and October, I visited classrooms to provide lessons on the following topics:

Kindergarten – Being a good listener

1st, 2nd, and 4th grades – Growth mindset

3rd grade – Integrity

5th grade – Learning styles

Homework Helpline 547-7223

Free homework help for students in 1st-12th grades is available Monday through Thursday from 5pm to 8 pm on all school days (except when there is no school the following day).

Positive Behavior

Leila Davis is a Positive Behavior Support school. Our students and staff adhere to the Guidelines for Success, also known as school-wide expectations. You will often hear us refer to these expectations as ROAR. We will continue to use PBIS Rewards to award Bear Bucks as well as Blue Notes as our reward systems to reinforce students that demonstrate ROAR. Ask your child to share what they know about ROAR.



Clothing Assistance

Clothes to Kids provides new and quality used clothing to low-income, school-age children in Pinellas County, free of charge.

Requirements for Shopping at Clothes To Kids

(1) Live in Pinellas County. (2) Child(ren) enrolled in Pinellas County schools in 4 year old PreK-12th grade). (3) Your family needs financial assistance.

If you receive free/reduced lunch, call Clothes to Kids at 441-5050 to schedule an appointment. You will need your free/reduced lunch letter to shop. If you do not receive free/reduced lunch but need assistance you may be able to receive a referral to Clothes for Kids from Mrs. Lofstedt (school counselor) or Mrs. Cohen (the school social worker). Once you receive the referral, you can call Clothes to Kids to schedule your appointment. Eligible children may shop twice in a twelve-month period (a referral is needed each time).

Pack-A-Snack

Leila G. Davis Elementary School is part of a weekend feeding program called Pack- A- Snack. This program is offered through Pinellas County Schools and a community partner. Your child is eligible to receive a bag with healthy snacks in it every Friday at no cost to you.

If you choose to enroll your child, he/she will receive a bag with some healthy snack sized items every Friday for the weekend. All the food is nutritional and non-perishable and will not have to be cooked or prepared.

If you have any questions about this program please feel free to contact Vanessa Lofstedt, School Counselor at (727) 725-7972 x2060 or lofstedtv@pcsb.org.

THE BEST WAYS TO PRAISE KIDS

(adapted from https://www.understood.org/en/friends-feelings/empowering-your-child/celebrating-successes/ways-praise-can-empower-kids-learning-issues)

Praise can have a powerful effect on kids. The right kind of praise can boost confidence and motivation. It can empower kids to keep trying hard and can fuel them to find strategies to overcome challenges. Research has shown that some kinds of praise are more helpful than others and that some types of praise can backfire and make kids doubt their abilities.

Types of Praise

<u>Personal praise</u> highlights kids' natural abilities, like intelligence or a talent for playing the piano. It's the kind of praise we often use to express affection. For example, you might say, "You have such a beautiful singing voice." But be careful with this kind of praise. It can make kids feel less confident. If kids think they're "prepackaged" with certain talents, they might not think they can keep building those skills. Personal praise can make kids less willing to try new things and can keep kids from developing a growth mindset—the belief that their abilities can improve over time.

Effort-based praise focuses on what kids can control. This kind of praise is more empowering than personal praise. If your child gets a good grade on a science project, personal praise might be, "Wow, you're good at science!" Effort-based praise, on the other hand, might be: "I'm so impressed at how hard you worked on your science project." You can make effort-based praise even more powerful by getting specific. Praise like that clearly tells kids what they did well. It also reminds them of the behavior you want to see. You can also use this kind of praise to acknowledge steps your child is taking to get better at something. For example, say your child's goal is to get to school on time. There are smaller steps along the way: waking up, brushing teeth, getting dressed, and having a bag packed and ready. If you praise the steps your child does well, you're showing that the bigger goal is something they can achieve if they keep going.

How to Give Praise

<u>Be specific</u>. Instead of saying "You were so good in the store," make a more detailed comment: "Thank you for being so patient while we waited in line." This can help your child remember to be patient again the next time you're waiting in line.

<u>Be sincere</u>. Kids know when you're not being genuine. Insincere praise—"You're the best basketball player in the world!"—can make kids wonder why you're not telling the truth. It might even make them feel like you think they can't do any better.

<u>Be clear</u>. Be descriptive about what you're praising. "Your watercolor technique is really coming along nicely—did you use any new techniques in this painting?" is more helpful than "This is such a fantastic painting. Someday you'll have your own art gallery!" This helps remove the pressure to be perfect or "the best." It's more realistic, and it helps kids understand what they're working on getting better at.

<u>Emphasize progress</u>. This helps kids see how their efforts are paying off. It can keep them motivated, too. For example: "I can really tell how much you've been practicing dribbling. You're better at controlling the ball than you were at the beginning of the season."

<u>Emphasize how their actions affect other people</u>. Praise kids for how their actions impact others. For example, you can say, "Thank you for helping with the dishes. I really appreciated your lending a hand." This also shows kids they're a valued member of the family or the community.

<u>Help kids express feelings</u>. Sometimes kids need help identifying their own emotions and owning their accomplishments. For example, if you're praising your child's hard work in math, you can add: "You must feel so proud that all of your hard work and studying made such a big difference."

What to Watch Out For

It's important to praise kids based on how well they're doing compared to themselves—not to other people. Praise based on outperforming another child can make kids doubt their abilities. That's why saying, "I'm so proud of you for learning how to spell such tricky words!" is more empowering than "I'm so proud of you for coming in first in the spelling bee."

The other big thing to watch out for is inflated praise. We've all heard this type of praise before: "You're so smart, beautiful, sweet, and perfect!" You might think that if kids do something well, telling them they're doing it really well will give their self-esteem an extra boost. But researchers have found that this won't do much to help motivate kids and can actually make kids less likely to take on new challenges because they think they have to meet really high standards. That's why it's a good idea to stick with genuine praise about kids' efforts.

<u> District Application Programs - Magnet and Fundamental Programs</u>

Virtual Choice Fairs

PCS is excited to provide families with virtual opportunities to introduce the 80 different magnet, fundamental and career academy District Application Programs. Join us at one of our Virtual Choice Fairs to familiarize yourself our District Application Program offerings.

- Elementary School Programs Tues., Oct. 27th, 6:30 7:45 PM
- High School Programs Mon., Nov. 2nd, 6:30 7:45 PM
- Middle School Programs Thurs., Nov. 5th, 6:30 7:45 PM
- All District Application Programs (DAP) Sat., Nov. 7th, 9:00 10:15 AM

Please complete the <u>form</u> to register for one of the Virtual Choice Fairs. Information, reminders, links and a guide will be sent a week before the Virtual Fair Date.

Discovery Nights

Schools with Application Programs will hold Virtual Discovery Nights. All Discovery night events start at 6:00 p.m. unless indicated. For more information on the specific details for each program, please visit the school's website.

MIDDLE SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS	DATE	
Azalea	Academy of Engineering Nov. 9		
Bay Point	Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology	Dec. 9	
Clearwater Fundamental	Fundamental	Dec. 3	
Dunedin Highland	Center for Gifted Studies*	Nov. 18	
East Lake	Academy of Engineering	Nov. 12	
James Sanderlin K-8 IB World School	IB Middle Years Programme	Nov. 12	
John Hopkins	Center for Gifted Studies	Nov. 18	
John Hopkins	Center for International Studies in the Arts and Multimedia Journalism	Dec. 10	
Largo	IB Middle Years Programme	Dec. 3	
Madeira Beach Fundamental (K-8)	Fundamental (K- 8)	Oct. 28	
Morgan Fitzgerald	Center for Gifted Studies*	Nov. 18	
Pinellas Park	Cambridge Pre-Advanced International Certificate of Education (Pre-AICE) Dec. 1 @ 5:30 PM		
Tarpon Springs	Cambridge Conservatory for Academics and the Arts	Dec. 9 & Jan. 12	
Thurgood Marshall Fundamental	Center for Gifted Studies*	Nov. 18	
Thurgood Marshall Fundamental	Fundamental	Dec. 2	
Tyrone	Center for Innovation and Digital Learning	Jan. 7	

IMPORTANT DATES

Discovery Nights: October 28th - December 18th, 2020

Application Period for 2021-2022 School Year: January 6th through 5 PM on January 15th, 2021

Acceptance Period for 2021-2022 School Year: February 15th through 5 PM on February 26th, 2021

Late Application Period: March 23rd - 31st, 2021

FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION, VISIT: www.pcsb.org/Domain/10466

How to Apply for DAP 2020-2021

STEP 1: Get a Parent User ID and Password

- Get a parent user ID and password.
- If you do not already have a User ID and password for your family, bring a photo ID, go to a nearby school and ask for one.
- Only one User ID and password is needed per family.

STEP 2: Apply online Jan. 6-15, 2021 at 5:00 PM

The Initial Application Period closes at 5:00 PM on January 15, 2021.

- In-County Residents: Apply online at https://reservation.pcsb.org using your User ID and password.
 - Select the District Application Programs option.
 - You can select up to five programs.
- Out-of-County Residents: Apply using the Special Attendance Permit (SAP).
 - SAP information can be found at www.pcsb.org/registration.

Please note: for the Centers for Gifted Studies and High School AICE & IB programs, non-PCS students must deliver all documentation of program eligibility to the appropriate school's DAP office by the close of the school day on Jan. 22, 2021.

STEP 3: Accept Invitations Feb. 15 - Feb. 26 at 5:00 PM

- Log on to the Student Reservation System (SRS) with your User ID and password during this period to accept a program invitation. If you do not accept 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 the acceptance period, the student's name will be removed from all other lists, (except the center for Gifted Studies) including waiting lists. You have the option to change your mind and select a different program before the 5:00 PM Feb. 26, 2021 deadline.

If you have questions about specific programs, contact the District Application Specialist at DAP@pcsb.org or by phone at 727.588.5037. For questions about the Application Process or Portal I.D.s and passwords, Contact the Student Assignment Office at StudentAssignment@pcsb.org or by phone at (727) 588-6210.

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All are welcome!



Join PTA - https://leiladavis.new.memberhub.store/ Questions? Email us at Leiladavispta@gmail.com





DCS @ Elementary School Lunch Menu



PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS	<u> </u>			ENERGY FOR EDUCATION
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 <u>Choose One:</u> Max Cheese Sticks or Cheese Quesadillas ~OR~ Chicken Caesar Salad ~OR~ Cheesy Turkey Wrap of PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Marinara or Salsa Cup or Carros Celery Cup 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fru	~OR~ Fruit & Yogurt Plate ~OR~ Chicken Caesar Wrap or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> t/ Deli Roasted Potatoes 100% Fruit Juice or Fresh Fruit	4 Choose One: Pasta & Meatballs or over Meat Sauce* ~OR~ Sunshine Dipper Salad ~OR~ Ham & Cheese Croissant or PBJ Sandwiches Choose: Sliced Cucumbers 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit	5 <u>Choose One:</u> Popcorn Chicken & Waffle ~OR~ Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Deli Combo Sub or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Steamed Broccoli 100% Fruit Juice or Fresh Fruit	6 Choose One: Pizza Choice Pizza Choice Pizza Choice PR- Apple A Day Salad PR- Turkey & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ Sandwiches Choose: Romaine Side Salad 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit
9 Choose One: Chicken Nuggets or Tenders ~OR~ Chicken Sandwich ~OR~ Chicken Caesar Salad ~OR~ Cheesy Turkey Wrap o PBJ Sandwiches Choose: Carrots & Celery Cup 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fru	Chicken Caesar Wrap <i>or</i> PBJ Sandwiches <i>Choose:</i> Corn Niblets	11 <u>Choose One:</u> Macaroni & Cheese ~OR ~ Sunshine Dipper Salad ~OR ~ Ham & Cheese Croissant or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Sweet Green Peas 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit	12 <u>Choose One:</u> Teriyaki Beef Dippers, Rice & Roll ~ OR ~ Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Deli Combo Sub or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Steamed Broccoli 100% Fruit Juice or Fresh Fruit	13 <u>Choose One:</u> Italiano School Choice ~OR~ Apple A Day Salad ~OR~ Turkey & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Marinara Cup or Romaine Side Salad 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit
16 <u>Choose One:</u> Max Cheese Sticks or Cheese	~OR~ Fruit & Yogurt Plate ~OR~ Chicken Caesar Wrap or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> t/ Deli Roasted Potatoes	Pasta & Meatballs or over Meat Sauce* ~OR~ Sunshine Dipper Salad ~OR~ Ham & Cheese Croissant or PBJ Sandwiches Choose: Sliced Cucumbers 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit	19 <u>Choose One:</u> Popcorn Chicken & Waffle ~OR~ Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Deli Combo Sub or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Steamed Broccoli 100% Fruit Juice or Fresh Fruit	20 <u>Choose One:</u> Pizza Choice ~OR~ Apple A Day Salad ~OR~ Turkey & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ Sandwiches <u>Choose:</u> Romaine Side Salad 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit
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Choose One:

Chicken Nuggets or Tenders w/ Roll ~ OR ~ Chicken Sandwich ~OR~ Chicken Caesar Salad ~OR~ Cheesy Turkey Wrap or

PBJ Sandwiches Choose:

Carrots & Celery Cup 100% Fruit Juice or Cupped Fruit



* This menu may be replaced with a Thanksgiving Meal at select school sites. #BackByPopularDemand (#BBPD) Your school site may add additional menu options that are not listed here.

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\*All hot or cold entrees include a choice of milk. \*





# Help Your Child Succeed in School: **Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early**

School success goes hand in hand with good attendance!

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

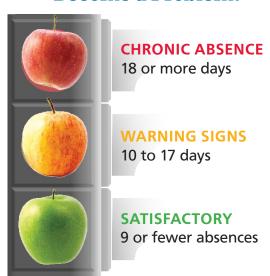
- Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10 percent (or about 18 days) can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work.

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set a regular bed time and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Find out what day school starts and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your child to her teachers and classmates before school starts to help her transition.
- Don't let your child stay home unless she is truly sick. Keep in mind complaints of a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents for advice on how to make her feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Develop back-up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session.

# When Do Absences Become a Problem?



Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.

# PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS FOOD & NUTRITION FREE MEAL DISTRIBUTION

18 YEARS & YOUNGER • 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Beginning on Thursday, October 29

# WHAT MEAL OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PINELLAS COUNTY CHILDREN?

Starting Thursday, October 29, children in Pinellas County 18 years & younger are eligible for

- 7 days' worth of breakfast, lunch, snack and dinner meals, FREE
- Distribution on Thursdays, 4:30 6:30 p.m. at 30 school locations
- Child does not need to be enrolled in Pinellas County Schools or be present for pickup
- No ID required for pickup
- Meals are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis

### **PICKUP LOCATIONS**

#### Elementary Schools:

Belleair El Eisenhower El

Garrison Jones El

High Point El

Sandy Lane El Skyview El

Lakewood El

#### • Middle Schools:

Azalea Middle
Bay Point Middle
Carwise Middle
Dunedin Middle
Fitzgerald Middle
Hopkins Middle
Lealman Innovation
Academy

Madeira Beach Fund.

Meadowlawn Middle

High Schools:

Boca Ciega High Countryside High Dixie Hollins High Oak Grove Middle
Osceola Middle
Palm Harbor Middle
Pinellas Park Middle
Safety Harbor Middle
Seminole Middle
Tarpon Middle
Thurgood Marshall

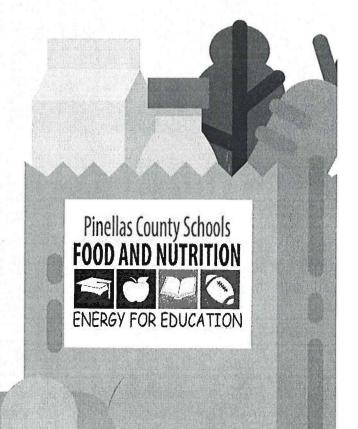
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# **Creating Opportunities for Pinellas Students**

#### **Pinellas County Schools Referendum**

strengthens reading, music and art programs; provides up-to-date technology and textbooks; and helps recruit and retain quality teachers. Pinellas County voters have overwhelmingly supported renewals of the half-mill tax since it was approved in 2004.

80% of Referendum revenue supplements teacher salaries, showing the high value the district places on quality teachers.

The Referendum funds powerful small-group literacy programs that help students read at grade level, computer labs and musical instruments, and field trips to art galleries and performing art centers.

Charter schools are public schools and will receive Referendum funding based on their student enrollment.

Each year, thousands of students participate in Referendum-funded field trips to museums and art centers.

The Referendum supports all students by providing diverse classroom libraries, increased training opportunities for teachers and the latest technology to engage students in learning and prepare them for college and careers.

All schools receive equitable funding for quality art supplies, equipment and technology that help students produce strong and award-winning works of art. The Referendum funds music, theater and dance equipment, sound systems and uniforms that support nationally recognized performing arts programs.



Every penny collected through the Referendum is locally controlled and goes to Pinellas County teachers and students.



An independent committee oversees Referendum spending to ensure that funds are spent as voters intended.

The Referendum is up for renewal November 3, 2020 www.pcsb.org/referendum

